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HANKOW CLASH. LOOTERS INVADE JAPANESE CONCESSION. SAILORS FIRE ON MOB. JAPANESE RESIDENTS BEING EVACUATED.

Serious trouble occurred in the Japanese Concession at Hankow yesterday as a result of which Japanese sailors were compelled to fire on a looting mob with machine-guns. Over 2,000 Japanese residents have taken refuge on warships and three steamers have left Shanghai to carry out the evacuation. Four more warships have been ordered to Hankow at once.

SHOPS LOOTED.

Mob Quickly Gets Out of Hand.

Shanghai, April 4. A Japanese naval wireless message from Hankow dated April 3 states that following a quarrel in the Japanese Concession between a Japanese sailor and a ricksha coolie, a mob of coolies invaded the Japanese Concession and started looting shops, and holding up Japanese nationals in the streets.

A detachment of Japanese sailors, hurriedly landed from the warships, was compelled to fire on the mob with machine-guns, resulting in two Chinese being wounded. The mob eventually dispersed.

The majority of the Japanese nationals living within and without the Japanese Concession, numbering more than 2,000, have taken refuge on warships. Others are remaining in other foreign concessions under the protection of Chinese soldiers.

Japanese sailors are now guarding the Concession. Four Japanese warships have been ordered to Hankow immediately from Nanking and Shanghai to reinforce the squadron of three vessels already there.

To-morrow morning three Japanese steamers are going to Hankow from Shanghai for the evacuation of Japanese Nationals. —Reuter.

ANOTHER VERSION.

The following wireless messages have been received by the local naval authorities:—

Yesterday (Sunday) afternoon Japanese sailors and ricksha coolies came to blows at Hankow, the fracas resulting in the death of a ricksha coolie.

As a result of this, rioting broke out in the Japanese Concession and during attempts by the Japanese to restore order there were casualties on both sides.

The Japanese community at Hankow, in consequence of the situation, is being evacuated.

Defence of Shamsen.

Two machine gun sections of the King's Own Scottish Borders and a Pack Battery have left Hong Kong for Canton (Shamsen) on H.M.S. "Moth."

Two platoons had already gone up on Saturday on H.M.S. "Tarantula," the detachment there, with those leaving to-day, numbering a Company in all.

LAST WEEK'S FEARS.

Shanghai, March 28. According to a Hankow message of March 27, the Political Council of the Nationalist Government held a meeting on March 25 in order to discuss problems vis-a-vis of Japan, and there was a heated discussion on the subject of the Japanese Concession at Hankow, but no decision was reached. As there are signs of unrest Japanese women and children residing in the native city have taken refuge in the Japanese Concession, while Japanese residents in the Concession are now making preparations to take refuge aboard the Japanese steamers now in port in case of emergency, according to the same message. The message adds that the situation there is gradually becoming more aggravated.

In view of the disquieting situation at Hankow, the Japanese authorities at Shanghai have ordered Japanese residents at Hankow to evacuate the city by the morning train for Shanghai.

the Japanese residents in Shanghai held at the Japanese Club on March 28, 1927:—

1. It is resolved that, in view of the gravity of the recent Nanking incident, our Government should take, with unflinching determination, all necessary measures, in order to ensure the dignity of the Japanese Empire and secure the safety of our nationals in China.

2. It is resolved that we, the Japanese residents in Shanghai, deeply appreciate the last several days' efforts of the Japanese marines for our protection, and that our Imperial Government is requested to send forces enough to cope with the altered situation.

3. It is resolved that, in view of the fact that the safety of the Settlements of Shanghai is being maintained, despite the troubled conditions prevailing in China, by their united efforts. We, the Japanese residents in Shanghai, assembled here in mass meeting, tender hearty thanks to the soldiers and marines of Great Britain, United States of America, France, Italy, Holland, Spain, Portugal, Japan and the Shanghai Volunteer Corps and various police organizations of the Shanghai Municipal Council.

Journalists' Opinions. The following resolutions were unanimously passed at a meeting of the members of the Shanghai Japanese Journalists' Club held at the Japanese Club, Boone Road:—

1. It is resolved that, in view of the seriousness of the Nanking incident, the Japanese Government should establish a definite and positive China policy, altering its present adulatory policy.

2. It is resolved that our brethren at home should be warned against being misled by superficial views on China held by a section of the people at home.

3. It is resolved that, in order to prepare for the worst, the Government is requested to carry out temporary evacuation of the Japanese residents in the whole region along the Yangtze River.

4. It is resolved that, in view of the fact that the present strength of the Japanese naval force here is not sufficient to ensure the lives and property of the Japanese residents in case of emergency, we earnestly desire that the Government will send more reinforcements to China.

KWANGSI TROUBLE.

LOOTING OF MISSION PROPERTY.

Of three foreign mission institutions working in Kwangsi province (up the West River), all property has been ransacked and damaged, with the exception of the hospital of the Baptist Mission.

Nearly all, if not all, of the foreign missionaries, have come down to Hong Kong.

It is learned that over a number of buses belonging to the missions were wantonly damaged by agitators.

Some of the evacuees are staying in Cheung Chai Island, Hong Kong.

LOCAL STUDENTS.

SHOULD THEY HAVE PRIDE IN THEM?

The subject of a debate at St. Paul's Young Men's Club (Bongman Road) last night was "Should we have pride in them?" The subject was debated by the students of the club.

It is understood that under the circumstances the Hong Kong University students are being urged to evacuate the city.

YANGTSE DANGER.

Russians Address Huge Meeting.

"DOWN WITH CHIANG!"

The following wireless messages have been received by the local naval authorities:—

At a meeting at Hankow organized to welcome heads of the Labour Bureau, who have arrived from Chongsha, a huge crowd was addressed by Russian speakers.

The temper of the crowd may be gauged from the fact that the slogans "Down With Chiang Kai-shek" and "Kill The Foreigners" were taken up with acclamation. Fengtien troops have met with success in their advance on Hankow, victory following an engagement with the Southern forces.

The Fengtien troops are now reported to be at Sen-yieh-chow (Honan province, North of Hankow).

Chaotic Conditions.

An increase of anti-foreign feeling is reported from Shansi where the confiscation of a case of British goods and the burning of their contents led to a clash on Saturday between British and looters.

Agitators are reported to be actively fomenting rioting.

Another clash earlier in the day occurred at Sui-chi between pickets and the Chinese police, the latter being routed after a hand to hand engagement.

Conditions ashore are chaotic and bandits have taken into Chinese shipping offices and looted their contents.

Anti-British Posters.

The situation at Nanking remains more or less unchanged. The two Sikh watchmen reported missing and in Nationalist hands where they were being used for propaganda purposes have been located and are now on board H.M.S. "Emerald."

Anti-British posters have been put up in the City.

The members of the British community who have not left for Shanghai are still aboard H.M.S. "Emerald" and are not allowed to land.

Spanish Residents Leave.

Chinese troops have occupied foreign premises at Chinkiang which have been evacuated. Large numbers have also crossed to the North bank of the river.

Wuhu remains quiet with Chinese troops in this district also crossing to the North bank.

The evacuation of Spanish at Wuhu and district is now complete.

Junks have conveyed something like 8,000 Chinese troops down river from Wuhu.

A guard of Chinese protected British hulk during a demonstration which took over the week-end.

The Consul and community who evacuated from Chungking on H.M.S. "Mantis" and H.M.S. "Teal" have arrived at Ichang.

SEAMEN'S DEMANDS.

ULTIMATUM TO STEAMBOAT COMPANY.

The Canton Seamen's Union, which is supporting the claims of the crew of the "Kinshan" for a social room to be set apart for their use on that steamer, sent an ultimatum to the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. Ltd. expiring at noon to-day.

Almost the entire crew of the "Kinshan" will be recalled, and the vessel at a moment's notice at Canton last week without waiting to hear whether their request for a social room would be granted or not.

The "Kinshan" will be remembered, was brought to Hong Kong by the steamer "Kwai" and was detained at Canton last week.

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OUTSPOKEN STATEMENT.

AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE VIEWS.

FIRMNESS ESSENTIAL.

URGENT NEED FOR UNITY AMONG POWERS.

An outspoken statement has been issued by the American Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai urging the need for firmness in protecting foreign lives and property in China, and stressing the vital importance of unity of action among the Powers for protecting their nationals and helping China to put her house in order.

LESSON OF EVENTS.

Nationalist Professions Useless.

Shanghai, April 4.

The American Chamber of Commerce, in the course of a statement, asserts that the repeated assurances of militarists and other spokesmen of political sections that they can and will protect the life and property of foreigners are irreconcilable with recent events leading to the necessity for the evacuation of the entire Yangtze Valley.

The adoption of a conciliatory policy by the Foreign Governments has merely strengthened the lawless elements and encouraged outrages like that of Nanking.

Of all the cities in the Yangtze Valley, Shanghai alone is comparatively safe for foreigners. This is due, not to consideration by those Chinese, inflamed by Bolshevik advisers, but entirely to the presence of foreign warships and military forces.

It is obvious, the statement continues, that a protective policy, applied to Shanghai alone, would not enable China to put her house in order, nor present the enormous losses resulting from the evacuation of interior districts.

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British subjects be murdered, robbed and insulted with impunity.—British Wireless Service.

KILLING AND LOOTING.

Uniformed Hunanese Nationalists Responsible.

Rugby, April 3.

Further information ascertained from unimpeachable sources bears out that the killing and looting which took place at Nanking were the work of uniformed Hunanese Nationalists.

Practically every foreign house in the city was completely pillaged, including three consulates, and eight foreign-owned houses were burnt to the ground. The looting continued for several days after the outrages of March 24.

It was gunfire from the British cruiser "Emerald" and the American destroyers, which enabled any foreigners to escape with their lives.

The shells fired by the warships were dropped over open agricultural ground on Standard Oil Hill, and provided a protecting barrage for the party of foreigners who were escaping, and who were under the rifle fire of the Chinese soldiery at the time.

Reliable Chinese sources confirm the report that only three Chinese civilian casualties were caused by the shelling.

Only a few foreign-owned houses are in the area where the shells were dropped and the damage to Chinese property was infinitesimal. No Chinese houses caught fire.—British Wireless Service.

CHINESE LOSSES.

"Utterly Fantastic" Reports Reflected.

London, April 3.

Reliable information received in authoritative circles in London from consular and disinterested Chinese witnesses shows that reports that the British and American warships' bombardment killed thousands of Chinese and did considerable damage to property are utterly fantastic.

Only three Chinese civilian casualties were caused by the warships. No houses were set on fire and no property was damaged.

The day after the bombardment there was considerable looting by Cantonese soldiery and a number of houses were gutted.

The exchange of views was proceeding during the week-end among London, Washington and Tokyo, and a joint British-American and Japanese communication is shortly being presented to the Cantonese demanding reparation for Nanking.—Reuter.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

Powers Still Considering Action.

London, April 3.

There is still no decision with regard to joint action by the British, American and Japanese Governments to exact reparation from the Cantonese for the Nanking outrages.

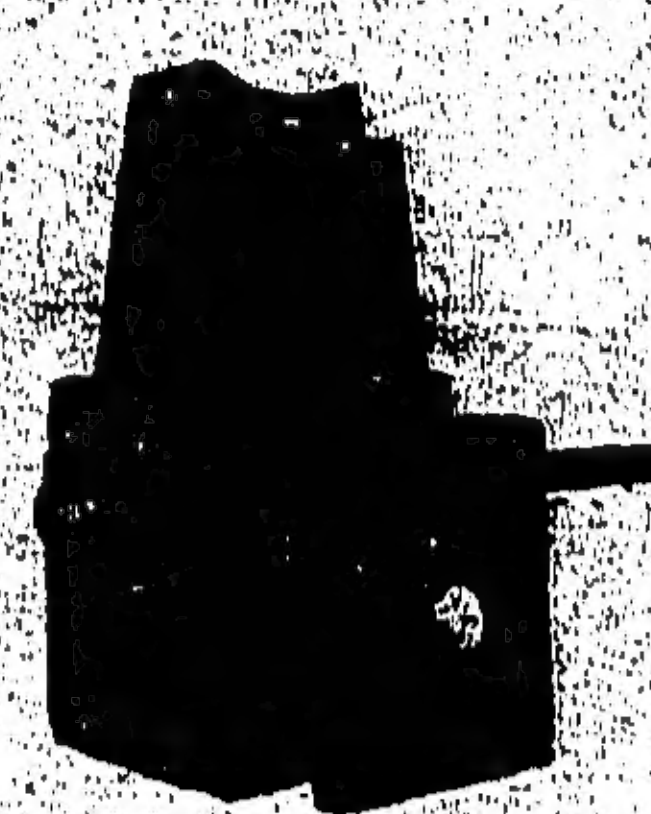
Matters are still being discussed between London, Washington and Tokyo.

To state that even provisional agreement has been reached is going too far.—Reuter.

Blockade Possible. Peking, April 3. The Foreign Authorities continue to discuss the possibility of a blockade of the Yangtze River in connection with the Nanking incident, but it is believed that the demand for reparation is the main object of the British and American Governments.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
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D. GOW.

Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 4th April, 1927.

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tary, Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club,
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Hon. Secretary, R.H.K.Y.C.
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Connaught Road, on FRIDAY, the
8th April, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock p.m.
for the purpose of receiving a
Statement of Accounts and the Re-
port of the General Managers for
the year ended 31st December, 1926,
and electing a Consulting Commit-
tee and Auditors.
THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
THURSDAY, 31st March, 1927,
until FRIDAY, the 8th April, 1927,
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General Managers.
Hong Kong, 30th March, 1927.

NOTICES.

CATHOLIC MISSION.

A MISSION will be given in the
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WEDNESDAY, the 18th inst.—
There will be each day a special
Sermon preached by the Rev. Fr.
G. BYRNE, S.J., at 8 p.m., followed
by Benediction.
All, and especially Catholics, are
cordially invited to attend.
Hong Kong, 4th April, 1927.

**HONG KONG BASEBALL
ASSOCIATION.**

**THE ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING** of the Hong Kong
Baseball Association will be held at
the American Consulate-General at
5.30 p.m. WEDNESDAY, April 6th.
All members of the Association
and other clubs interested are re-
quested to attend.

HIN WONG.

Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 30th March, 1927.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

**DRAFT Programmes and Entry
Forms** for the SECOND
EXTRA RACE MEETING to be
held on SATURDAY, the 16th
and MONDAY, the 18th of
April, 1927, (weather permit-
ting) may be obtained at the Race
Course, Hong Kong Club and
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Entries will close at 4 p.m. on
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ter tonnage 175.00 tons, heretofore
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PANY, LIMITED.
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appearance of this advertisement.
Dated at Hong Kong this 31st day
of March 1927.
(Signed) KWOK WOON-CHUEN.

CHARGE AGAINST MAYERS.

London, April 2.
When the investigation of the
charge against Colin Mayers was
resumed at Bow Street the
Magistrate consented to hear the
case in camera.

The magistrate's decision was
reached after evidence by Rear
Admiral Botham, Director of the
Naval Intelligence Division of the
Admiralty Naval Staff, who was
of opinion that publication of the
evidence was prejudicial to na-
tional safety. The Court was then
cleared of the public, including
the press.

The hearing was adjourned to
April 7, no bail being allowed.—
Reuter.

VICTIM OF BANDITS.

Mexico City, April 3.
The body of the American,
Edgar Williams, who was kid-
napped by bandits in the neigh-
bourhood of Guadalajara on
March 27, and held to ransom,
has been discovered by Federal
troops who were pursuing the
bandits.—Reuter's American Ser-
vice.

Teacher—"What was Lord Nelson
noted for?"
Tommy—"His memory."
Teacher—"Puzzled?" "His
memory! What makes you think
he had a great memory?"
Tommy—"Well, they erected a
monument to it!"

WORLD TEACHER.

"ORDER OF THE STAR IN
THE EAST."

END COMING OF CHRIST.

At yesterday's meeting of the
Hong Kong Centre of the Order of
the Star in the East, Mr. H. E.
Lanpart gave an address on "The
World Teacher is Here." In the
course of which he referred to a re-
cent statement by Dr. Annie Besant,
World President of the Theosophi-
cal Society and Protector of the
Order, given on Jan. 14 at the Arya
Vihara, Ojai, California. Extracts
follow:

When the Christ came to Pale-
stine, how did He appear to those
around him? A man, with no
outer sign of Divinity. So unim-
pressive, only one of His Apostles
called Him the Son of God and the
people murdered Him, and only a
poor following of 120 was the ap-
parent result of His three years of
teaching.

In the early days it was widely
believed that "Jesus of Nazareth"
was a man on whom the Divine
Spirit abode during the years of
His ministry.

The Coming now is similar.

"Life Literally Perfect."

The Divine Spirit has descended
once more on a man, Krishnamurti,
one who in his life is literally per-
fect, as those who knew him closely
can testify.

During the last year, since Dec.
28, 1925, when the Christ spoke
through him to some 3,000 people
in India, he has been undergoing
swift changes, which have made
him a man of power, dignity, au-
thority, out of the boyish youth he
was.

Those who knew him here more
than a year ago comment on the
change from the shy, reserved youth
to a man radiating love and hap-
piness.

In Ommen, last year, the Christ
spoke through him occasionally, but
he was still shy and nervous.

On Dec. 28 last, at a small meet-
ing, again the Lord spoke through
him.

"Dignity and Wisdom."

And on Jan. 11 this year, at a
gathering of some 200 members of
the Order of the Star in the East,
throughout his speech, the voice
that rang out in the whole speech
was the Voice of one who had heard
before for brief sentences, with an
authority, dignity and wisdom we
had none of us known before.

The silence and the hush were
wonderful as though Nature was
listening and at the close rain fell
lightly for a couple of minutes and
a rainbow, a perfect arch, shone
out and added a last touch of
beauty to that wondrous scene.

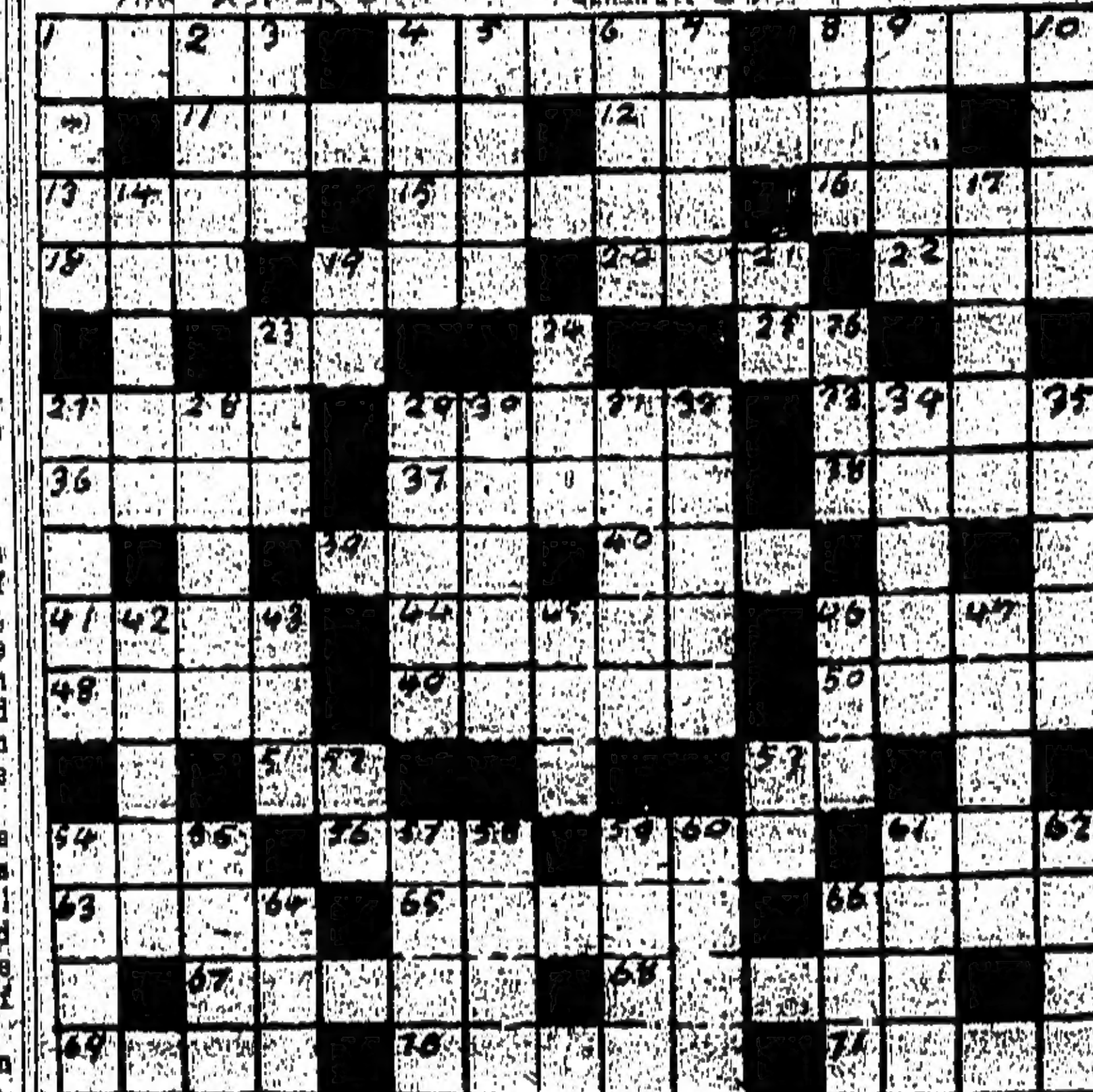
In him the manhood had been
taken up into Divinity, and we be-
held His glory, full of grace and
truth. The Spirit had descended
and abided on him.

"The world teacher is here."
Annie Besant.

"CHINA MAIL" CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.**NO. 12—\$50 MUST BE WON**

FIRST READ THESE RULES CAREFULLY THROUGH.

1. The PRIZES in this competition are AWARDED STRICTLY on MERIT.
2. Each solution sent in must be made on the coupon cut from the "China Mail." Any number of solutions may be sent in.
3. An entry fee of fifty cents must accompany each coupon. Three entries, however, may be sent in together for one dollar. Letters sent through the post must not contain coins as they will not be delivered by the Post Office.
4. No entry will be considered under any circumstances whatsoever, unless entry money for each solution is enclosed.
5. Entries must reach the office of the "China Mail" not later than the time and date for closing announced on the coupon.
6. No responsibility is accepted for loss or delay in the post. All letters should be registered and/or sealed.
7. The prize of \$50 must be won and will be awarded for an all correct or nearest correct solution. In the event of ties the \$50 will be divided. No competitor may win more than one share of the prize in each competition.
8. The coupon must not be defaced in any way. All attempts must be in plain block letters and legible.
9. The Editor's decision will be final and binding in all matters of dispute, and he reserves the right to enter into Correspondence regarding the Competition.
10. Solutions will be published with the results, in this paper, every Thursday following the Closing Date.
11. Coupons will be kept for four days after the results of the competition have been published.
12. All letters must be addressed, "China Mail" Cross-words, c/o "China Mail" Offices, No. 5, Wyndham Street, Hong Kong.
13. No member of the staff of the "China Mail" will be allowed to compete.
14. Solutions are held under sealed cover and in no way will be opened until the close of the competition.



To "China Mail" Cross-words"

c/o "China Mail" Offices,

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DEAR SIR,

I agree to abide by your rules, and I enclose

for solution (s) which are attached.

Name

Address

[Please Write in Block Letters.]

CLOSING DATE FOR COUPONS, MONDAY, APRIL 11

[Coupons received at the "China Mail" Office after mid-day on Monday will not be included in the competition.]

Clues Across.

1. A recess.
2. Smelling.
3. Anything spiral.
11. A bird with a long neck.
12. In advance.
13. To boast.
15. It is pleasing to me.
16. Manner of walking.
18. To corrode.
19. A town in Scotland.
20. Organ of sight.
22. LIE (actual).
23. The indefinite article.
25. New York (abbrev.).
27. Fuel.
29. Gross.
35. Original man (bib.).
36. Pointed; as a cross.
37. Kingly.
38. Transparent rock-forming min-eral.
39. A habitation.
40. Anything small.
41. A ribbon for the waist.
44. A narrow strip of leather.
46. Lifeline.
49. A large fishing net.
50. Emma's.
51. Masculine pronoun.
53. Above and touching.
54. The top or point of anything.
56. NOP (actual).
59. Cost, insurance and freight.
61. No longer clearly.
63. Pertaining to the sea.
65. Larynx.
66. To know (latin).
67. Dewy.
68. To dress gaudily.
69. Eyes.
70. Delight food.

Clues Down.

1. Hippocrates' contrivance for re-duc-ing shoulder dislocations.
2. To score away.
3. A unit of work.
4. Single in number.
5. A "sly" look.
6. A cape or headland.
7. Plural pronoun.
8. A witty person.
9. Freehold estate.
10. A mowing.
14. One who rates.
17. Pertaining to the lower in-fernales.
19. The indefinite article.
21. EN (actual).
23. Consumed.
24. Having the strength exhausted.
26. Tropical potato-like root.
27. A vibration.
28. Burnt up.
29. To deviate from the regular.
30. Annual income (Fr.).
31. The devil.
32. To slant.
34. A note.
35. Ship's officers.
36. Mythological evil demon.
42. HSE (actual).
46. A membrane.
48. A wagon or cart.
47. The crime.
52. EN (actual).
53. Out from.
54. To undo.
55. A reel.
57. Style; fashion.
58. A masquerade.
59. To yield.
60. Egyptian goddess.
61. A girl's name.
65. To prepare.
66. To sniff carefully.
69. A point.

Competitors are reminded that the prize is to be awarded for the correct solution or if nobody succeeds in solving the puzzle, the prize will be awarded to the nearest correct solution. The prize will be awarded to the nearest correct solution. The prize will be awarded to the nearest correct solution.

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To all intents and purposes, the threatened strike of officers and engineers of the China Navigation S.N. Co., Ltd. is over for the time being.

As indicated by Reuters, those concerned were advised to accept the reduction of 10 per cent. on their salaries as from the date of signing new articles presented to them after April 1.

Those attached to the "Hong Kong" branch of the line held a combined Guild meeting yesterday. After some discussion, it was decided to confirm the decision arrived at by the Shanghai Guilds.

As far as is known, the normal course is being resumed to-day.

"Temporarily Averted."

Reuters' telegram from Shanghai, received last on Saturday night, reads:-

Shanghai, April 2.

The threatened strike of engineers and officers on the China Navigation Company's vessels has been temporarily averted.

A well-attended joint meeting of members of both Guilds, lasting two and a half hours, decided (subject to confirmation at the meeting being held in Hong Kong to-morrow) that the men should return to their ships and sign on at the reduced rate under protest.

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OWNERS' REPLY.

Reduction Due to Stoppage of Services.

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The First Circular.

On Sept. 15, 1926, the Co. circulated the foreign office as follows:-

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It will apply to all members of the European staff of the Co., including those serving under Agreement at three months' notice of termination, which notice is hereby given. It is not, however, the intention that this notification shall affect their services with the Co. except as regards the reduction in pay.

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The Co. hope that all concerned will realize the necessity for this decision. It has been postponed for as long as possible in the hope that the political situation would improve, but the prospects continue so indefinite that further delay is not justified.

Position Explained.

Prior to this, the Co. arranged an interview with the Shanghai and Hong Kong secretaries of the Marine Engineers' and China Coast Officers' Guilds. This was held in Shanghai on Sept. 11, when the position was explained and the Guild secretaries were confidentially informed as to the heavy losses sustained by the Co.; they were also informed that if before Jan. 1, 1927, Canton and Swatow had been satisfactorily re-opened, and no other key ports such as Hankow or Shanghai had been closed, and normal trading by the Co.'s services had been resumed, the reduction in pay would not be put into effect on that date.

On Dec. 22, 1926, the following circular letter was issued:-
With reference to our letter dated Sept. 15, Canton and Swatow have since re-opened to trade, and in view of the political situation being thereby modified, the Co. have decided not to put into effect the reduction of pay notified in this circular dated Sept. 15 on Jan. 1. Necessary to Reconsider.

The situation is, however, still very uncertain, and normal trading has not been resumed. It will therefore be necessary for the Co. to reconsider the position in three months' time, that is on March 22.

On January, 1927, trade at Hankow was entirely held up on account of political disturbances involving all the middle, upper river and Human services. Certain steamers were placed under requisition for essential services such as evacuation and the remainder of the Yangtze fleet was laid up. A curtailed service was started on the lower river at the end of February, but with all lower river ports except Hankow closed trade is again seriously restricted and disturbed conditions still prevent resumption of the normal schedules. The middle, upper river and Human services are completely suspended.

Company's Attitude.

The Co. throughout have been anxious to maintain the standard of pay and with that object the reduction has been postponed for as long as possible, but results have justified it; it was only after the most careful and full consideration that the following circular letter was issued on March 22 (which was the date stated in the Co.'s circular of Dec. 22, 1926):-

Referring to the Co.'s letter dated Dec. 22 last we regret that present conditions make the reduction of 10 per cent. in pay necessary and this will be put into effect from April 1. The necessity for this reduction was confirmed on March 19, the circulars were printed on March 21 and issued on March 22, on which date letters were also sent to the secretaries of the two Guilds.

Serious Losses.

The coasting vessels of the Co. have not been running at full pressure. Both inward and outward cargoes and the fleet as a whole have to be considered not can the serious situation in the Yangtze area be ignored. In addition to the serious losses up to the end of last year, further heavy losses have since been incurred notwithstanding such increases in freight rates as have been made, but which cannot be effective when trade is suspended.

Seven of the Co.'s coasters and six upper river steamers have been out of commission since June and Oct. 1926, respectively. Others have been laid up for varying periods due to lack of employment. In view of the situation, the Co. have disposed of three steamers for breaking up and two more are now being sold.

Wages of Chinese.

The Guilds refer to the fact that the wages of the Chinese staff of the C.N. Co. have been increased and that the Co. have received further demands of increases.

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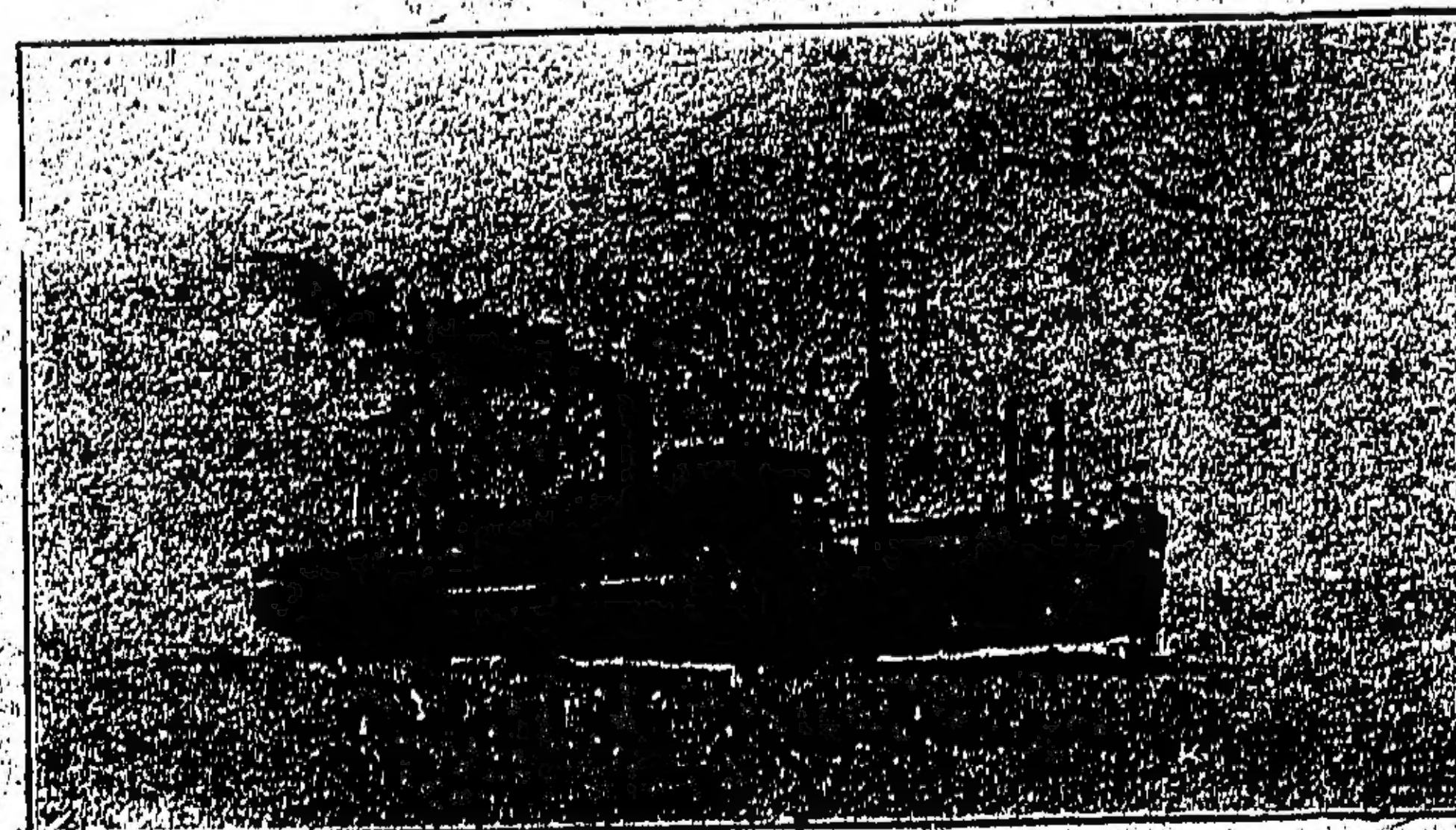
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OUTSPOKEN STATEMENT.

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BRITISH VERSION.

Guilt Established "Beyond Question."

London, April 2. Further investigations of last week's happenings at Nanking have established the fact beyond question that the killing of foreigners and the complete looting of practically all the foreign houses, including the three Consulates, was the work of Hunanese Nationalist soldiers.

At least eight foreign houses were burnt down. Looting continued for several days after the outrages of March 24, when seven foreigners were killed and a number wounded.

Fantastic stories circulated from certain Chinese and other sources, alleged that shells fired from the British and American vessels on that date caused the death of thousands of Chinese and damaged half the city. Actually, the casualties to Chinese civilians is reliably reported to have numbered only three.

The fire from the warships was opened just in time to prevent a wholesale massacre of foreigners, and was directed on unoccupied ground near Socony Hill for the protection of a party of foreigners who were themselves escaping under fire from Chinese soldiery.

The Chinese have now mounted a machine gun on Lion Hill, at Nanking, commanding the river. —British Wireless Service.

CHINESE REPORT.

Blame Laid on "Rebel Remnants."

London, April 3. A wireless from Hankow says that Mr. Eugene Chen made a statement on March 31 as follows:

"The commission of enquiry investigating the late events at Nanking has sent a preliminary report establishing the outstanding fact that the disorders there were the work of reactionary and counter-revolutionary elements, who during the confused conditions following the defeat of the Northern rebels and their White Russian mercenaries, instigated the rebel remnants (many of whom were uniforms taken from Nationalist soldiers, who had previously been captured) and local ruffians to attack and loot the foreigners in the city.

The British, American and Japanese Consulates were attacked, and a few foreign lives were unfortunately lost. Some foreign property was looted before order could be fully restored by the Nationalist forces under General Chiang Chien, who entered Nanking at 5.30 on the afternoon of March 24. The latter ordered the execution of a number of those who had attacked and looted foreigners. Four to six foreigners are reported to have been killed, and about six wounded, during the disturbances.

On the other hand, an estimate (which is under verification) places the Chinese casualties as the result of the Anglo-American naval bombardment, at the rate of over a hundred killed and wounded for every single foreign casualty.

Whilst the Nationalist Government have to denounce the attack on the British and other Consulates at Nanking and express deep regret for the foreign lives lost, and the wounding of the British Consul General and other foreigners, they have strongly to protest against the bombardment of Nanking, with its large civilian population, by the British and American gunboats."

Consul's Reply.

Washington, April 3. Replying to Mr. Eugene Chen's statement that the anti-foreign attacks at Nanking were the work of reactionaries, etc., the American Consul, Mr. Davis, emphatically reiterated to the State Department that Nationalist soldiers deliberately and with intent to kill fired on British, Japanese and American Consuls knowing them to be such. He says:

"All three Consulates were deliberately looted and although this was known to Nationalist officers, no effective measures were taken to afford protection up to the time of the Naval barrage to rescue the party sheltering in the Standard Oil houses."

Mr. Davis adds that from all the evidence it has been proved that the outrages were planned and could not possibly be due to the accidental letting out of hand of a few troops. —Reuter.

TAKING NO CHANCES.

Another British Brigade For China.

London, April 3. The Government has decided to reinforce the Shanghai Defence Force by a brigade of infantry and ancillary units.

The infantry battalions selected are a Guards battalion, the First Battalion of the Queen's Royal Regiment, the First Battalion of the Northampton, and the Second Battalion of the Welsh Regiment.

The units will be brought up to strength by incorporation, where necessary, of men from Section A of the Army Reserve.

"To Back Up Threats." Later. The Second Battalion of the Scots Guards has been ordered to China.

The Government's decision to reinforce the Shanghai Defence Force was unexpected. It is learned that the Government's military advisers pointed out that it was essential, when the demand for reparation for the Nanking outrages was made, that there should be a strong and adequate force on the spot to back up the threats of possible action. It is urged that the troops at Shanghai cannot withdraw for duty elsewhere, and are not too numerous for the present policing task, while America and Japan have already decided to despatch reinforcements of marines and blue-jackets.

The sending of more British troops does not mean that the Powers anticipate a refusal of the demand for redress, but it is to be regarded as a timely measure and precaution against possible emergencies. —Reuter.

North China Dangers.

Peking, April 3. Among other indications of official concern regarding the possibility of disturbances in North China may be noted the action of the Diplomatic Corps who are meeting to discuss the policing and protection of the Legation Quarter and the advisability of allowing Chinese police to enter and search for suspected agitators.

Americans in the country surrounding Peking and Tientsin have been ordered seaward and many British and Americans are arriving from Shansi. The American Legation is crowded daily with Americans obtaining passports in order to join the general exodus which is now in full swing. —Reuter.

Policies and Policy.

Washington, April 3. Although the mobilisation of additional marines for possible despatch to China is represented here as purely precautionary, it is strongly rumoured that new, disturbing reports have reached Washington with regard to a possible extension of danger to Americans in North China, and it is alleged that funds are being sent from Canton and from Moscow to agents at Tientsin and Peking with the object of promoting anti-foreign disorders, with a view to preparing a Nationalist drive to Peking.

Well-informed circles emphasise that in view of the next year's Presidential election, Mr. Coolidge is on the horns of a dilemma with regard to China, finding difficulty in following a policy which, while ensuring adequate protection to Americans in China and maintaining American prestige, will not be too "spirited" and perhaps place a powerful weapon in the hands of his political opponents. Therefore, while in practice America may act with the other countries with regard to China, it will make clear that it reserves the right to take any independent course it may deem advisable. —Reuter's American Service.

Secret Alliance Rumoured.

Shanghai, April 3. Despatches from Peking emphasise the growing uneasiness of Chinese and foreigners alike in North China owing to the danger of the Northerners crumpling up before the triumphant Nationalist advance, leaving a legacy of chaos behind them.

The current rumour that a section of Chang Tiao-lu's forces have formed a secret alliance with the south and are planning to turn over when the psychological moment arrives has added to the general anxiety.

Many wealthy Chinese are stated to be preparing to run to cover—presumably to the International Settlement of Shanghai or to Japan—while the commanders of the foreign garrisons at Peking and Tientsin are conferring on the subject of concerted measures for the protection of foreign residents in these areas and the maintenance of communications. —Reuter.

Objectives Gained.

Shanghai, April 3. The Occupation of Pengpu, the main Shantung concentration camp, on the Tientsin-Peking railway, is officially confirmed. In addition to advancing up the railway from Nanking, the South Chinese are thrusting northward

at two other points, namely from Nanking up the chain of lakes leading to Luchowfu, and from Chinkiang along the Grand Canal towards Kasyuchow, both of which objectives are believed to have been reached.

The Grand Canal expedition is being reinforced by detachments from Ningpo. —Reuter.

Alleged Communist Propaganda.

Paris, April 3. To the Council of Ministers, M. Briand communicated reports received with regard to the visit of the Communist Deputy, M. Doriot, to Indo-China.

M. Barthou, the Minister of Justice, transmitted this information to his Department, which the Government had notified a fortnight ago of anti-French propaganda alleged as being carried out by Doriot in Indo-China and China. —Reuter.

Arms for China.

Stockholm, April 3. Allegations that arms are being exported to China from Sweden have elicited a semi-official statement to the effect that the Government have not granted licences for such exports since early in 1924. —Reuter.

Shanghai Native City.

A wire from Shanghai to the "Canton Gazette," dated March 30, says:—

"The Commission chosen by various categories in Chinese sections in Shanghai, assumed office under formal ceremonies on the 29th.

"This is the first time in a generation that Shanghai has been governed by a body other than arbitrarily chosen representatives of military chieftains. The Commission has been approved by the Nationalist Government, according to statements here.

"The nineteen Commissioners are as follows:—General Pei Chung-hai, Sun Fo (Minister of Communications of the Nationalist Government), Yang Kou-fu, Loo Yin-ung, Wang Chou-hua, Yu Ya-ching, General Shih Yueh, Wang Hsiao-lai, Ling Ky-un, Ho Shao-yuan, Tseng Yu-shao, Francis Zia, Wang Han-liang, Tai Pei-tze, Ho Lo-tung, Ting Hsiao-hsien, Li Wen-shao, Wang Tsing-shan and Koo Shun-chang."

Foreigners' Safety.

Owing to consular anxiety regarding the safety of foreigners in the Canton district, following on the reports of disorders in Nanking and along the Yangtze Valley, the Executive Committee of the Provincial Government decided at a meeting held on Thursday to repeat the proclamation issued some time ago warning the people against molesting peaceful foreign nationals or interfering with their residence or business, as the Government is determined to repress any disorderly attempts endangering the life and property of foreigners in this region. —"Canton Gazette."

French Concession.

Paris, April 3. Admiral Desire, interviewed by the "Petit Parisien's" Shanghai correspondent, says that he has arranged for sufficient forces to ensure the absolute inviolability of the French Concession, having received all the reinforcements he had asked for.

CHARMING ROBBER.

"A DOZEN EGGS, PLEASE."

A charming successor to the famous bobbed bandit who more than a year ago robbed scores of shops here appeared in the busiest section of Flatbush, Brooklyn. She wore a small turban coat trimmed at the cuffs and at the bottom with white fur, silk stockings, and trim shoes. Her age was at the most 18. She advanced to the counter of a grocer's shop. The manager, William McCarthy, aged 26, looked expectantly at her. "A pound of butter," she said. He handed it her.

She hesitated a moment thinking, as a young wife might think, and then smiled. "Oh, yes, a dozen eggs, please."

The order was carried out, and then another.

"That's all," said the girl. She fumbled at her bag and asked, "Can you change a twenty dollar bill?"

Enter the Boy. McCarthy opened the safe. She took the change, pressed it into a bag, and pulled out a revolver. The susceptible manager blinked.

"Put up your hands! Don't move! Keep quiet!" rapidly exclaimed the girl.

A boy entered also with a revolver. "Now," said the girl to the manager, "put your hands on the counter and keep them there."

He obeyed, and the youth pressed himself to the counter of the grocer's shop. The manager, who had been looking at the girl, now looked at the boy.

ENGLAND WINS.

SOCCER INTERNATIONAL AT GLASGOW.

SCOTLAND SCORE FIRST.

London, April 3. At Glasgow, in unsettled weather, before 90,000 people, England beat Scotland at international soccer, by 2 goals to 1.

Play in the first half was even, both sides showing splendid defence but passing was occasionally rather wild.

Hill, the English centre half, was hurt and was absent a quarter of an hour.

At half-time the score sheet was blank. Eight minutes after the re-start, Morton scored for Scotland. Hill replied again, but soon re-appeared with a bandaged head. Scotland continued pressing, but at length England broke away and "Dixie" Dean (Everton) scored a goal.

Play thereafter was mostly in favour of England, Dean scoring the winning goal two minutes from the finish. —Reuter.

WON BY A TRY.

FRANCE BEAT ENGLAND AT RUGGER.

Paris, April 3. In fine weather, and before 25,000 spectators, France beat England at international rugger at Colombes by 3 points to nil.

France were doing most of attacking. Verger, their fly-half inaugurating several fine movements, severely testing the English defence.

A neat bout of passing ended in Vellat scoring a try, Gonet failing to convert. At half-time France led by 3 points (a try) to nil.

On the resumption, the Englishmen improved, the forwards heeled well and gave several chances to the backs, but the latter, with the exception of Young the scrum half, and Corbett, a three-quarter, were poor in handling.

England was continually attacking toward the close, but France won, as stated, by the colliary try. —Reuter.

AT THE QUEEN'S.

"FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE" TO-DAY TO WEDNESDAY.

Some picture-goers entertain the idea that comedies are the easiest type of screen entertainment to make. Quite the reverse is the case. The task of producing laughs is a slow and laborious one. It requires infinite pains, patience, great skill, talent and a comprehensive knowledge of psychology.

Particularly is this true of the top-notch film comedians, of whom Harold Lloyd is a notable and conspicuous example. The bespectacled funmaker and his capable staff spend many long weary months building, modelling, cutting in a painstaking effort to achieve perfect results. Their problem is doubly difficult because Lloyd always strives for a middle course, that is, the comedy must never descend to slapstick, nor rise to the peaks of the high-brow.

Every Lloyd production is firmly built on a solid foundation of a real story. To be sure, a gag here and a stunt there is often inserted to add to the fun or to speed up the action, but it is never allowed unless it fits in exactly with the continuity of the plot. Furthermore, there is always an idea underlying the foolery and comedy complications.

For instance "For Heaven's Sake," Lloyd's latest milk-provoker, emphasizes the wholesome thought that the real joy of living is to be found in helping others. Harold, as a scion of wealth in this picture, is bored to tears with his life of idle ease and luxury.

His experiences with the gangsters and toughs are productive of much laughter and thrills—making "For Heaven's Sake" a more than worthy successor to "The Freshman."

Jobyna Ralston plays opposite Harold and makes a charming leading lady.

Two literary enthusiasts were eagerly discussing the works of Shakespeare in a railway carriage when a "horsey" looking individual entered the compartment.

The newcomer settled down in a corner and buried himself behind a highly tinted newspaper.

From the literary corner came an exclamation of surprise. "What! I think the fellow gave Hamlet 'Ophelia' and Macbeth as the first three!"

The newspaper lover, slightly amused, glanced at the other passenger and said: "You are a bit of a bookworm, aren't you?"

"Yes, I am," replied the other, "but I am not a bit of a fool."

CITY OF SUICIDES.

LAST YEAR'S ENORMOUS INCREASE.

VIENNA'S EVIL REPUTATION.

Unemployment, poverty, family quarrels, and unhappy love affairs were among the main reasons given for the great number of suicides which occurred in Vienna during last year.

Vienna, even in the quiet times before the war, had an unenviable notoriety among the great cities of Europe for the number of its men, women, and even children, who took their own lives. That this unhappy state of things should continue in the trying days after the collapse of the old monarchy is hardly surprising.

Last year the total number of suicides and attempted suicides was 2,391, as against 2,269 in the preceding year. Ten years ago, when the population was even larger than to-day, the total was only 904. The total of actual suicides last year was 765; 449 men and 316 women, as compared with 744 in 1925. In 1916 the number was only 447.

This enormous increase is understandable in view of the impoverishment and misery brought about by the war. A great proportion of the middle-class has been ruined, and whilst the working-classes are in some respects better off than formerly, there are at the present time over 200,000 unemployed in the whole country.

Nearly twenty per cent. of last year's suicides were ascribed to unemployment and financial losses, the latter having been too often caused by rash speculation. Another twenty per cent. were attributed to illness, and almost as many more to mental derangement. Family quarrels, unsuccessful love affairs, fear of punishment, and grief over the death of relatives were responsible for most of the remainder.

As regards the methods of suicide, poisoning by gas accounted for 269 deaths, or more than one-third of the whole. Hanging came next with 210, then came shooting 109, drowning 82, and jumping from high windows 70. This last has always been a favourite method of suicide in Vienna, perhaps because the many comparatively high blocks of flats renders it easy. It is not necessary that the would-be suicide should occupy one of the top dwellings; he need only mount the stairs and jump from an upper landing window into the stone-paved courtyard below. Of the remaining twenty-five suicides, twelve were caused by cutting or wounding, eleven by throwing themselves in front of trains, and two by burning. It seems somewhat remarkable that there was not a single case of ordinary poisoning.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

April 4—Queen's Theatre: Harold Lloyd in "For Heaven's Sake."

April 4—World Theatre: Tom Moore in "Adventure."

April 4—Star Theatre: Owen Moore in "Code of the West."

April 4, 5, 6, 7—Theatre Royal: "H.M.S. Pinafore," 9.30 p.m.

April 6—Theatre Royal: "H.M.S. Pinafore," Matinee, 4.30 p.m.

April 6—The Hong Kong Dance Club's grand opening Carnival Dance takes place at Lane Crawford, at 9 p.m.

April 10—Concert by the Massed Bands of the 1st Bn. The Cameronians and 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regt. Queen's Theatre, 8.20 p.m.

April 20—Seventh bi-annual race for the "Trevess" Trophy, commencing 4 p.m.

April 6—Monthly meeting of H.K. Chinese Chamber of Commerce, 2.30 p.m.

April 6—Annual meeting of the H.K. Baseball Assn. at the American Consulate-General, 5.30 p.m.

April 8—Third annual meeting of H.K. & Territorial Estates, Ltd. St. George's Hall, 8.30 p.m.

April 14—Twenty-seventh annual meeting of Rowland Bowling Green Club, Club-house, 8.45 p.m.

April 21—Second Meeting of China Light & Power Co. Ltd. 11.30 a.m.

Lammer's Auctions. April 7—Auction of household furniture, Dundell Street, 2.30 p.m.

April 8—Valuable household furniture, etc. No. 11A, Mody Road, Kowloon, 11 a.m.

April 8—First distribution of Wah Yan College, Queen's Theatre, 11 a.m.

April 8—Mr. L. C. T. Bellamy, M.C. A.M.I.E.E. Inst. T. will read a paper on "Urban & Suburban Transport" at the Institution of Engineers, 8.30 p.m.

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Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, J.P. is to preside at the annual prize distribution of Wah Yan College tomorrow at 11 a.m., to be held in the Queen's Theatre.

The latest ad for West End women is afternoon tea parties which they attend in bathing costumes and bask in the artificial sun rays of electric lamps, chatting and listening to broadcasting and dancing.

For a week beginning this Thursday, a mission will be given in the Catholic Cathedral. Each day, a special sermon will be preached by the Rev. Father G. Byrne, S.J., at 8 p.m., followed by benediction.

A forest fire which caused damage to the extent of \$600, and the destruction of about 200 rubber trees, occurred near Rantau recently. The source of the fire was unknown, but it burned the grass, and spread some considerable distance into other plantations, fortunately without causing much damage.

In view of the 56 1/2 per cent. increase in the number of street accidents in London since 1925, it is recommended that various measures should be taken to lessen the dangers. These include the proposal for the incorporation in the curriculum of Greater London schools of instruction on street accident prevention. More drastic laws are recommended for dangerous and negligent driving of motor vehicles. Signs are to be erected at all important crossings and at entrances to subways cautioning all of the importance of careful manoeuvring in all congested quarters.

Sir Charles Biron, chief magistrate, in his private room at Bow-street, Police Court, said goodbye to Police Constable Frederick Cavell, who has retired after 26 years in the police force—24 of which he spent as an assistant jailer in charge of prisoners in the dock. Talking of the many notorious criminals he met, F. C. Cavell said to a reporter: "Clippin perhaps impressed me most. A curious man, with large eyebrows and cauliflower ears. He never spoke to anyone, but he said he would take me out to dinner when he was acquitted. We never ate that dinner! Smith, the brides-in-the-bath murderer, was very cantankerous in the dock at first and I repudiated him. He was very quiet afterwards, and apologized. He promised me a book when he was acquitted. I did not receive that book! May Churchill, 'Chicago May,' was the most beautiful woman I ever saw at Bow-street."

The monthly meeting of the committee, the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, is to be held tomorrow at 2:30 p.m.

Messrs. Lamport Bros. are holding an auction of household furniture at their Duddell Street sales room at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday.

The only case of notifiable disease returned in the Colony during the week-end was that of a Chinese with small-pox from the city registration district.

The ss. "Ta Chung" (for which Messrs. W. Watt & Co. are agents) will load on April 8 and sail at 8 a.m. the next day for Sandakan and ports. (Details in an advertisement in this issue.)

A dissecting table used by John Hunter, the famous London surgeon, who died in 1793, known to have been in the possession of the Manchester Medical School (now part of the Manchester University) in 1840, is being sought by officials of the Manchester Medical Society who are collecting material for a history of the school. Described as "a small oval table, painted green and set on small wooden wheels," that relic was pointed out to the students as one of the school's treasured possessions by Dr. Thomas Turner, the school's founder, in his opening address in 1840. This reference, recorded in a Life of Turner, is the only definite evidence that the school possessed the table, of which nothing has since been heard.

Describing Hong Kong and Shanghai in a Home paper, a traveller refers to Hong Kong as follows:—Hong Kong, on the other hand, though also a monument to the skill of British engineering, is as romantic in scenic character as Shanghai is prosaic. Approached through channels, of limpid jade-green water between barren, mountainous islets, it reveals itself at last a veritable Naples of the East. Terrace above terrace of attractive modern houses and stately public buildings, interspersed by brilliant splashes of colour from numerous exotic gardens, the whole city rises almost sheer from the water front to a height of some 2,000 feet. The roadways and the foundations for the buildings have been literally blasted from the face of the rude rock. Yet so carefully have the gradients been studied that the actual summit is even accessible to motor cars.

At No. 10A, Mody Road, Kowloon, Messrs. Lamport Bros. are holding an auction of valuable household furniture this Friday beginning at 11 a.m.

A determined case of suicide occurred at the N. Chai Boarding House, No. 216, Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday afternoon when a Chinese strangled himself with a loop of rope attached to the top of an iron bedstead. The man, who had been only three days in the Colony, was apparently well-to-do. There is no clue as to the reason for his drastic act.

The first State School for Housewives will be opened at Easter in Berlin. Primarily intended for young wives who wish to learn housekeeping thoroughly, the course will last a year, and will include training in cookery, gardening, general hygiene, and the care of infants. Unmarried girls are accepted as pupils, and can go on after the year's training to State institutes which give a diploma for kindergarten teaching, needlework, and cookery "degrees." It is argued that no girl can be a good wife or mother if she is "failed" in school subjects affecting general knowledge—her own language, history, and geography. But mathematics, French, English, and Latin are not a necessity in the average home.

In New York State last year 2,143 deaths were occasioned by motor-car accidents, an increase of twenty-three over 1925. Of those killed 600 were children under the age of 15, and of these thirty were killed by the cars of their own families. At railway crossings 150 people died. In a State where it is claimed that Prohibition is fairly well-enforced, intoxicated drivers figured in 506 accidents, and drunken pedestrians in 342. The new regulations giving right of way at ungated street crossings in New York City became effective this year. They satisfy pedestrians but apparently irritate many drivers. New legislation is being sought to increase the penalties and impose imprisonment without the option of a fine in cases of a second offence. Taxi-drivers, although operating only 3 per cent. of the registered cars, are declared to be responsible for one-fifth of the aggregate number of fatalities.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. J. E. Anderson, of the Anderson Music Co., Ltd. sailed on Saturday on the "Macedonia" for Home.

Mr. P. C. Potts, principal of Messrs. Benjamin & Potts (share-brokers) sailed for Home on Saturday by the "Macedonia."

A popular cricketer in Mr. G. R. Vallack of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire has gone Home on leave. He sailed on Saturday by the "Macedonia."

Mr. J. H. Wallace (division manager, Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada), accompanied by Mrs. Wallace, left Hong Kong on Saturday by the "Macedonia."

Among those who sailed for Home on the "Macedonia" on Saturday were Mr. D. Abbey and Miss Parkes of the local office of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire.

After three years in the Colony, the Rev. J. Horace Johnston (minister of Union Church, Kowloon) went on Home leave on Saturday, sailing on the "Macedonia." Mr. Johnston has taken a leading part in the civic life and recreation on the mainland.

Many friends gathered to say goodbye to the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Lang when they sailed for Home on Saturday by the P. & O. "Macedonia." Mr. Lang is retiring with a long and honourable career of public and mercantile service to the Colony. He was also a leading figure in the world of sport.

Miss Isabel Jay, a former well-known exponent of Gilbert and Sullivan parts, has died at Monte Carlo during a holiday cruise with her husband, Mr. Frank Carson, the theatrical manager, at the age of 47. She left the stage about fifteen years ago. Between 1898 and 1901 she excelled her fine voice in many chief parts of the D'Oyly Carte repertory. Miss Jay was seen again at Daly's in The Country Girl in 1908; two years later she followed Miss Ruth Vincent in the name-part of Messrs. Veronique, on which, once more, she stamped her individuality. Further successes awaited her when she went to the Prince of Wales's Theatre, of which her future husband was lessee in 1904.

Captain C. J. Thomson (with Mrs. Thomson and family) went on long leave on Saturday, sailing for Home on the P. & O. s.s. "Macedonia."

The Governor of the Straits Settlements officially attended the opening performance of "The Mikado" which the Singapore A.D.C. gave at the Victoria Theatre.

Mr. G. W. Sellers, of Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., was one of the passengers on the "Macedonia" when she left Hong Kong on Saturday for Singapore and other ports.

Miss R. Luard, Col. W. H. McCowan, Eng. Comdr. F. W. Bromley, Mrs. and Mrs. W. J. Hast, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lawson and daughter, are among the Hong Kong passengers on the "Macedonia," sailing for Home via Singapore.

Arriving here this morning from Manila, the "President Pierce" brought over a large number of passengers. Those landing at Hong Kong included Mr. C. d'Assumpcao and Miss M. d'Assumpcao, Mr. and Mrs. N. I. Currie, Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Mitchell, Rev. Bro. Paul, Rev. Bro. Michael, Rev. G. W. Wells.

The King of Italy has conferred on Mr. George Eastman, inventor of the Kodak, the order of the Crown of Italy in recognition of his philanthropic work and his interest in Italian affairs. Mr. Eastman will have the rank of Commander of the Order. The Progress Medal of the Royal Photographic Society, the highest photographic honour in the world, was awarded recently to Mr. Eastman.

The Bishop of London has not forgotten the hospitality and good fellowship which followed him everywhere he went in Malaya, remarks "The Clubman" in the "Straits Times." In letters to the papers and in his sermons he has constantly mentioned this country, and best of all, advised young men of the right type to consider life in the tropics and a career in planting or tin. The Bishop seemed surprised that Englishmen kept so healthy out here, and makes continual reference to "sunburned faces and clear eyes." So now we must keep the propaganda going as a counter to the stories of a certain famous author, the reading of which would stimulate people to the idea that Malaya is a sink of iniquity in which men will

Mr. H. U. Ireland of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, with Mrs. Ireland, went on Home leave on Saturday by the "Macedonia."

Mr. C. F. Mendham of Messrs. W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd. was a passenger on the Home-bound "Macedonia" when she sailed from Hong Kong on Saturday.

The traffic agent in Hong Kong for Canadian National Railways, Mr. G. M. Hensworth was one of the passengers on the south-bound P. & O. s.s. "Macedonia" when she sailed on Saturday.

Mrs. A. K. Henderson (wife of the assistant general manager, Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd.) was a passenger on the "Macedonia" which sailed for Home on Saturday.

Much the better for his accident at the Jockey Club annual race meeting, when he was thrown and kicked by a pony, Mr. D. B. Peat of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank went on holiday on Saturday, leaving on the P. & O. "Macedonia."

Bangkok papers announce the sudden death of the Rev. W. G. McElure, who had been in Siam for 41 years on behalf of the American Presbyterian Mission and recently took a leading part in a service of intercession on behalf of China.

The death occurred on February 22 at Amptill Park, Bedfordshire, of Emily Lady Amptill, aged 86, mother of Lord Amptill. She was the last surviving bridesmaid of the late Queen Alexandra. She was a daughter of the 4th Earl of Clarendon. Her husband was joint plenipotentiary with Lord Beaconsfield and Lord Salisbury at the Berlin Congress, 1878, and was Ambassador to Germany, 1871-84. Their children include Viscountess, the Hon. Victor Alexander Rodger, Viscountess, and Brigadier-General the Hon. Alexander Victor Frederick Villiers Russell, to whom Queen Victoria and the then Crown Prince and Princess of Germany stood sponsors at the baptism in 1874. At Amptill House, Lady Amptill had a magnificent collection of art treasures, many of which were the gifts of German and British royal families. She was a Lady of the Bedchamber to Queen Victoria.

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MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1927.

SPORTS SECTION

CAMBRIDGE WINS.

BEAT OXFORD BY THREE LENGTHS.

EACH BOAT LEADS IN TURN.

Rugby, April 2. After an exciting contest, Cambridge today won the Boat Race, beating Oxford by four lengths (7) in 20 minutes, 14 seconds. Oxford won the toss and boats remained level for the first two minutes, Cambridge drawing slightly ahead.

Oxford pulled them back and led by half a length at Hammersmith Bridge. At Chiswick the boats encountered rough water in which Cambridge drew level, taking the lead before Barnes Bridge and increasing it steadily despite a gallant effort by Oxford.

An extremely well fought race throughout was watched by huge crowds in fine weather.—British Wireless Service.

Bright Weather, Smooth Water. London, April 2. Cambridge won the 79th Inter-University Boat Race, held today on the Thames, from Putney to Mortlake.—Reuter.

The weather was bright, with a southerly wind and smooth water.

The attendance at Putney was enormous. Oxford were out at ten in the morning for practice, paddling as far as the bend in the river, above the boat-house.

The Dark Blues heartened their supporters pulling more evenly than earlier in the week.

The Cantabrigians, rowing faster, covered the same course a few minutes later.

The official time of the race was 20 minutes, 14 seconds. Cambridge won by three lengths.

Reuter. [To date Oxford have won 40 races, Cambridge 38, and one race has been drawn.]

Finish in Distress. It was a perfect day and a perfect race.

The usual huge crowds on the banks greeted the crews as they passed. Six aeroplanes soared overhead.

The crews alternately led in a tremendous struggle to the mile post, thereafter, although Cambridge kept form better, Oxford were a length ahead after Hammersmith Bridge. Then rougher water was met in Chiswick Reach, and Cambridge made headway.

Rowing beautifully, they overhauled their rivals, and led by half a length at Barnes Bridge.

In the final spurt, with rhythmic stroke, they won easily.

Both crews were distressed at the end.—Reuter.

HOME SOCCER.

HOW THE LEAGUE CLUBS FARED.

Principal league football matches played to-day (home team given first) resulted:

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I. Arsenal 0, Huddersfield 2. Aston Villa 1, West Ham 5. Bolton 3, Wednesday 2.

Burnley 0, Birmingham 2. Cardiff 1, Tottenham 2. Derby 0, Everton 0.

Leeds 3, West Bromwich 1. Liverpool 1, Sunderland 2. Manchester United 1, Leicester 0.

Newcastle 3, Bury 1. Sheffield 5, Blackburn 3.

Division II. Bradford City 4, Blackpool 1. Chelsea 0, Reading 0.

Clapton Orient 4, Portsmouth 5. Hull 5, Barnsley 1. Middlesbrough 3, Oldham 1.

Notts County 3, Darlington 1. Port Vale 7, Fulham 1. Preston N.E. 4, Swansea 0.

Southampton 0, Gillingham 0. South Shields 1, North Forest 1. Wolverhampton 3, Manchester City 1.

Division III (South). Brentford 0, Bournemouth 0.

Brighton 3, Charlton 2. Bristol Rovers 4, Newport 0.

Exeter 5, Gillingham 1. Luton 4, Coventry 1.

Motherwell 1, Watford 1. Millwall 1, Plymouth 3.

Northampton 2, Bristol City 0. Norwich 0, Queen's Park Rangers 1.

Southend 3, Crystal Palace 1. Swindon 3, Aldershot 1.

Division III (North). Accrington 1, Wrexham 1.

Barnley 1, Chesterfield 0. Crewe 2, Nelson 1.

Durham 3, Wigan 1. Halifax 1, Ashington 1.

Hartlepool 2, Walsall 2. Lincoln 4, New Brighton 0.

SOCCER DOUBLE.

KOSBIES' RECORD IN THE SHIELD.

WIN IN BOTH FINALS.

Soccer history was made on Saturday when the 2nd Battalion, King's Own Scottish Borderers won the finals in both the senior and junior divisions of the Hong Kong Football Association challenge shield tournament.

In the senior final, the Kosbies rather unexpectedly defeated the holders (Kowloon Football Club), who were beaten on merits. The junior tie was played first and the soldiers beat Kowloon Reserves by 4-2.

Holders Disappoint. This season's Shield ties will go down as a record in more than one respect. Whereas the Kosbies, in their first year here, lifted both trophies, Kowloon had the distinction of five consecutive senior finals. Last year and the year before they won; in 1924 they were runners-up; and their first final (and triumph) was in 1923.

As holders yesterday, they disappointed and they failed to put up a record of three successive victories in the senior final.

The Kosbies' Reserves have not met with defeat so far in competitive soccer under the auspices of the H.K.F.A. They have already assured themselves of the section "A" (division II) league championship and the junior shield gives them a "double" of their own.

Senior Final. Both finals were played before a big attendance on the Hong Kong F.C. ground at Happy Valley.

Having won the junior tie, the Borderers played in the senior with all confidence. After a blank first half (in which Kowloon had more of the luck but failed to push home any advantage, thereby losing the match), the Kosbies were favoured by fortune, took the lead in unusual manner, and then clinched the issue with a beautiful goal.

Teams: 2nd Scottish Borderers—Anderson, Gardner, Martin; Everest, Davey, Campbell; Tynholm, Stock, Humphreys, McGlinchey, Rev. Alexander.

Kowloon F.C.—Durand, Earl, Cavellie, Hadley, Sims, Baldwin, Hayes, May, Orr, Tierman, Muir.

Referee: Captain A. W. Austin, M.C., M.A., K.A. Linemen: Mr. Lamb, Mr. Lonsdale.

How The Kosbies Won. Seven minutes after half-time, Alexander took a free kick (close in and to the left of the Kowloon citadel) when Durand fouled by holding the ball for more than the two paces permitted. Sims packed the near side of his goal line. Alexander booted the ball squarely to the centre and Humphreys flicked it in at an angle to beat Durand.

Back came the soldiers after they had taken the lead and in another ten minutes they had obtained their second goal.

Advancing in midfield, McGlinchey swung the ball out to Alexander but the raid was repelled. Humphreys received the ball and drew the defence. When challenged, he passed smartly to Stock who banged in first time, the ball striking the far corner of the net, well out of Durand's reach. A capital move, followed by a first-time shot which had power and judgment behind it.

Junior Final. Because they were able to force home their advantages when favourably placed, the Kosbies' Reserves deserved to beat Kowloon's Reserves.

The soldiers won by 4 goals to 2, after leading 3-1 at half-time. In a few minutes, Kowloon had scored twice and excitement ran high but the soldiers prevailed. Teams—2nd K.O.S.B. Reserves—McDougall, Harris, Martin, Drury, Sgt. Skeggs, Spalding, Pte. Skeggs, Barras, Crawley, Pte. Alexander, Craig.

Kowloon F.C. Reserves—Wood, Brown, Knight, Miles, Ellis, Adams, Pte. Vickers, Pascoe, Coates, Eastman.

Referee: Mr. Gilbert. Linemen: Mr. Gilmour, Mr. Cowan.

Through Wood deflecting a corner kick into his own net, a fine shot by Barras and another by Brailley, the K.O.S.B. Reserves led 3-1.

After half-time, Vickers scored twice for Kowloon but, towards the end, the ball again entered the Kowloon goal after striking a defender.

"Glad They Won." When the honours had been settled, players and spectators gathered round the stand where Mr. James Ormiston (chairman of Kowloon Football Club and one of the H.K.F.A. Councilors) addressed the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., and Mrs. Kotewall, and those present, including Lt. Col. L. J. Comyn, commanding the 2nd K.O.S.B. and Mr. G. M. Shaw, Vice-President of the H.K.F.A.

Mr. Ormiston explained that the other clubs in the association

GOLF MATCH.

CLUB BEAT THE ARMY AT FANLING.

AN EASY VICTORY.

In a team match of eight-a-side, the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club had an easy victory over the Army Golfing Society on the old course at Fanling yesterday.

On both the singles in the morning and the fourball foursomes in the afternoon, the Club secured a substantial lead. Scores—

GOLF CLUB.

Singles.

T. D. E. Pendered (1 up)	1
W. Douglas	0
C. G. Stark	1
L. R. Andrews (4 & 3)	1
L. G. S. Dodwell (5 & 4)	1
H. V. Sheldon (4 & 3)	1
N. L. Smith (7 & 5)	1
F. J. de Rome (7 & 5)	1

Total

Fourball Foursomes.

Pendered & Douglas	0
Stark & Andrews (2 & 1)	0
Dodwell & de Rome (5 & 4)	0
Smith & Sheldon (7 & 5)	0

Singles

Grand Total

THE ARMY.

Singles.

Capt. H. Phillips, 1st/Middlesex	0
Capt. N. P. Procter, 1st/Middlesex	1
Lt. C. P. Nason, 1st/Middlesex	1
Capt. B. O. Hutchison, 7th Hussars, Staff Captain, Shanghai Defence Force	0
Capt. E. W. Morris, I.A.S.C.	0
Lt. Col. R. A. Smith	0
Lt. J. B. A. Hankey, 2nd/K.O.S.B.	0
2/Lt. A. B. C. Clarke, 2nd/K.O.S.B.	0

Total

Fourball Foursomes.

Phillips & Procter (3 & 1)	2
Nason & Hutchison	0
Morris & Boylan Smith	0
Hankey & Clarke	0

Singles

Grand Total

absence of Mr. R. M. Dyer (President of the H.K.F.A.) was unavoidable as he was bidding farewell to the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, who was one of the keenest supporters of football in the Colony having taken an interest in the game in Hong Kong for years. (Applause).

In Mr. Ormiston's opinion, the (senior) game had been one of the finest he had seen on the ground. The better team had won but he was sorry to see Kowloon lose (a voice—"Why?" because he lived in Kowloon. "Still, I am glad my countrymen won" added Mr. Ormiston. "as" come from Edinburgh" (Laughter).

List of Trophies. As the wife of the Vice-President, Mrs. Kotewall thereupon graciously presented the trophies as follows:—

Senior winners (the Community Shield): Captain the Rev. F. P. W. Alexander, captain of the 2nd/K.O.S.B.'s battalion team.

Senior runners-up (the S. J. David Cup): Mr. Sims, captain of the Kowloon F.C. 1st XI.

Junior winners (H.K.F.A. Shield): Sergeant Skeggs, captain of the 2nd/K.O.S.B.'s reserve eleven.

Junior runners-up (the R. J. Wilton Cup): Mr. T. L. Knight, captain of the Kowloon F.C. reserve eleven.

In response to repeated calls for a speech, "Padre" Alexander said that many thanks were due to Mrs. Kotewall for so kindly consenting to distribute the valuable prizes.

They had had a splendid game and he was sure that both players and spectators enjoyed it. He called for three cheers for Mrs. Kotewall and met with a rousing reception.

Runners-Up? Two of the three teams engaged in the race for the runners-up position in division II, section "A" of the League were engaged at Sookumpoo, Chinese Athletic "A" defeating Royal Artillery Reserves by an only goal. (Scored by Chan Woon-yin).

The University failed to turn out against St. Joseph's College and the points for this match have not been included in the appended table.

Goals. P. W. D. L. F. A. P. A. K.O.S.B. Res. 10 15 1 0 58 12 31. Chit Athletic "A" 17 11 2 4 38 21 24.

R.A. Reserves 17 10 2 5 27 18 22. Kowloon Res. 15 8 3 4 32 15 22. R.A. Res. 16 8 5 2 30 15 22.

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From the above it will be noticed that the K.O.S.B. Reserves have annexed the championship although each team has to play 22 matches.

The "possible" that can be stated is that the K.O.S.B. Reserves have placed 26 points; R.A. Reserves 24; Kowloon Reserves 22; St. Joseph's College 22; H.K.F.C. Reserves 22; University 22; St. Chas. Reserves 22; Chit Athletic "B" 5.

Mr. Ormiston explained that the other clubs in the association

LOCAL CRICKET.

THREE LEAGUE MATCHES ON SATURDAY.

VOLUNTEERS' CENTURY.

Although the championships have been settled, there were three league cricket matches on Saturday, as the result of which the Indian R.C. move up to third place in division I and the University 2nd XI displace the Police for second place in division II.

E. J. R. Mitchell, captain of the H.K.V.D.C. team, made a century.

There were several good bowling feats, including that of 6 wickets for 15 runs by B. N. Sudan of the "Varsity."

League I.

I.R.C. v. ROYAL ARTILLERY.

At Sookumpoo, Indian R.C. defeated Royal Artillery by nine wickets. Scores—

Lt. G. H. Sloane-Smith, b. A. el. Arculli 16 || B.S.M. Bennett, b. A. el. Arculli | 16 |
Capt. N. C. Parkes, run out	0
Lt. R. F. Wright, c. A. R. Minu, b. A. el. Arculli	6
Lt. J. H. Smith, c. Curran	32
Mr. G. F. G. Howard, b. F. M. el. Arculli	5
Maj. F. H. Scovill, b. Curran	2
Sgt. Leach, b. Curran	5
Madar, not out	8
Gnr. Malpas, not out	5
Extras	6
Total	96

Bowling Analysis.

F. M. el. Arculli 8 | 1 | 25 | 0 || Madar | 2 | 1 | 5 | 2 |
| Curran | 2 | 0 | 23 | 2 |

Total

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ODDS AND ENDS

Hotels of the Future.

Sir Francis Towle, managing director of the Gordon Hotels, Ltd., and of the May Fair Hotel, which has been built on the grounds of the old Devonshire House, Piccadilly, and will be opened about the end of next month, said at a luncheon that the English hotel of the future must develop along lines suitable to English tastes: it must carry to perfection the comfort, freedom, personal service, and that good taste and "rightness" in small details which had made English home life famous the world over. The great English hotels of the future would draw their inspiration solely from the centuries of cultured living which had evolved English country house life with its leisurely, friendly atmosphere, and its sure and unmistakable touch of England.

Tubes and Trams.

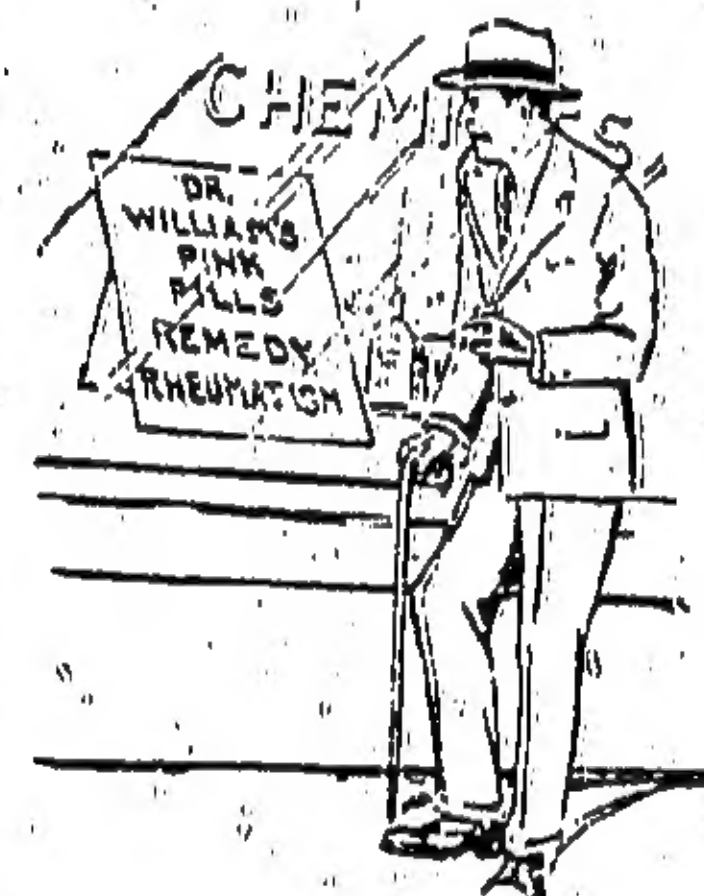
The tube, I say, is not even theoretically a substitute for the bus. You cannot jump off the tube to greet a friend, or on to it to avoid a creditor. You cannot knock five minutes off a short journey by taking the tube; in all probability that amount of time is lost in waiting for your ticket, waiting for the lift, waiting for the train. You cannot avoid in the tube the shy man's nightmare, that of looking complete strangers either in the face or in the boots. You cannot explore unfamiliar corners of London; you cannot enjoy the pageantry of the shop windows. You cannot watch the Lord Mayor's Show from the tube. Perhaps such considerations are not in themselves very important, but it is the small liberties of life which make it worth living. Quod semper, quod ubique, quod ab omnibus—that noble motto of the Catholic Church ought to be adopted as a war-cry by the bus-lovers. Quod semper—the bus is independent of temporary accidents; if the electricians go on strike, its engines still run; if its predecessor has a breakdown there is no difficulty in steering past; if roads are taken up it can choose another route and avoid the congestion. Quod ubique—it can go everywhere; some fresh street of residential houses springs into being, and a bus can ply past the doors without any effort of line-laying; alternative routes to some place of interest alternate, whereas the trams must all follow a set line. Quod ab omnibus—there are people who like a ride in the open air; there are people who resent the motion of trams, who find them difficult to catch, when a run across a motor-infested street is involved; there are people to whom the labyrinthine catacombs of the tube represent an unwelcome effort of pedestrianism. Father Ronald Knox, "An Open-Air Pulpit" (Constable & Co.).

Women and Religion.

Consider, if you will, how much the poorer a world this would be if there were no beautiful perfumes in it. The scent of the new-mown hay; the sanctified aroma of incense; the strong perfume of coffee; the exquisite fragrance of the white rose, the night-scented stock, the mignonette; the odour of wild thyme; the strong tang of the salt sea—all these might have been omitted from the universe. We ourselves should then never have missed all these wonders, for we should never have known them. In some such case perhaps is the religious world of to-day, which accepts for the most part so acquiescently the absence of the ministrations of women. None of us need waste much time in emphasising the need or otherwise of the world to-day to receive more spiritual help. Not the most bigoted of anti-woman sacerdotalists would rest the case against the exercise of women's vocation upon any very high altitude reached by the world upon the present system. If the ministry of women by a right and good thing in itself, there is an enormous field in which labour can go forward. In this respect the ministry of religion is for women a unique calling, for the overcrowding in almost every other sphere of work is the most prominent economic feature of the day. The dearth of candidates for ordination and the enormous flocks awaiting spiritual care are the everyday commonplaces of every religious publication. There is, then, the sphere of labour—the field is still as wide for the harvest as in the day of Christ Himself. It is a very important difference at a time when women are being walled off this, that, and the other calling in the interests real or supposed of their brothers and husbands. Helena Normanton in "Good House-keeping."

Lochiel.

Bayard's picturesque career suggests the question, "What figure in the history of this country comes nearest to the perfect knight of France?" Setting aside all the myths of Arthur's table, I think the vote must go to Cameron of Lochiel. Very different were the surroundings of Bayard and of Lochiel. The romance of the ancient Highland kingdoms has a colour of its own. Its themes are not, like those of the romance of chivalry, of love and love's adventure; its tales are not of vows and tokens, of soft lutes sighing in the bowers of ladies, of knights in golden armour glittering in the deep forests and mountain gorges, full of Gothic gloom and savage splendour. The fiery cross wanders like a meteor over hills and valleys, the gathering of the warlike clans, the glowing tartans, the badges, the terrific slogan, the glitter of the dirks and battle-axes—all its sights and sounds have in them something wild and eerie, from the fierce shriek of the pibroch in the front of battle, to the mournful wailing of the coronnach above the dead man in his shroud—from the minstrel touching his rude harp to music of barbaric sweetness, to the wide-eyed wizard gazing on his robe of raw bulks and lying down to catch prophetic voices in the roaring of the lone cascade. "The Ulysses of the Highlands"—the title is no freak of fancy. There is no act, no exploit, of the hero of the Odyssey which will not perfectly well suit the character of Lochiel. Nothing is easier than to picture him among the scenes of Homer; to see him, in the mind's eye, rising in the hushed assembly of the Grecian kings—whirling in his chariot along the banks of the Scamander—emerging like a phantom from the wooden horse—plunging like the burning brand into the eye of the cyclops—or scheming how to sail in safety past the perilous islands where the sirens sang upon the shingle among the whitened bones of men. Strength, courage, fiery vigour, a sagacity which was never to be found at fault—such was the character of the ancient Wanderer. And such was the character of Lochiel. H. Greenhaugh Smith, "Stranger than Fiction." (Newnes.)



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The Yellow Jasmine.

I worked myself the other day into a smile. Jasmine is my private by-name, a name of praise to our English mimosa (writes James Douglas in the "Daily Express"). "Poon" you growl, "there is no mimosa in our grey winter." Wait a bit! The English mimosa is yellow jasmine. I back it against all the mouldy mimosa that comes from the land where the mistral blows. It is the quintessence of spring. It is the flame that heralds and harbinges the sun. (I like my new verb. A harbinger is a precursor who harbingeres all sorts of happenings. Let us all go on the harbinges!) The yellow jasmine has gone to my head. It is the flower of hope. The poets ought to atone for their unpardonable neglect of this gay little bloom that loves the old gray walls of the old thatched cottages in the lonely old lanes. They should sing golden jasmine songs. The very name of this sunny flower is a song of joy. I whisper it to myself between sneezes. "Jasmine," I say to myself and instantly I catch the muscled round my mouth mellowing into a smile. Jasmine is my private sesame. It opens the golden gates of gaiety in my January heart. If the jasmine has the valour to break into defiant blossoms in the teeth of winter, why should I cower and mope in the mists of my dark mind? I can capture the jasmine's magic and gild my thoughts with living gold.

The Three Heifers.

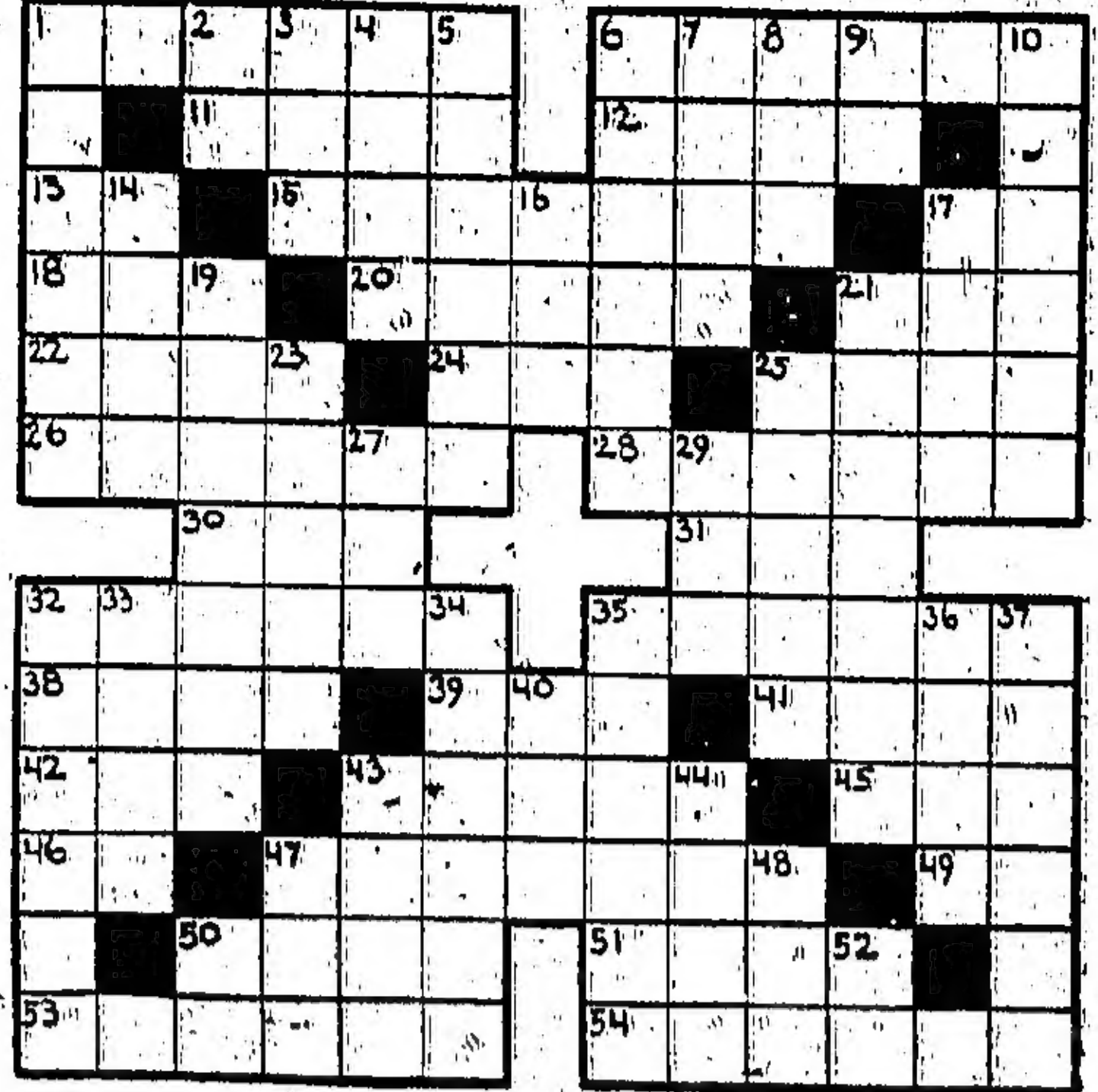
The Council of State—that curious administrative court, presided over by the Minister of Justice, which France owes to Napoleon—has presented diplomacy with a new problem, says the "Manchester Guardian." "In the days when communes had little respect for national monarchs the inhabitants of the valley of Barretton in the French Pyrenees acquired the habit of pasturing their cattle in the Spanish valley of Roncale, to the small annoyance of the Spaniards. With a sense of reality that has its lesson for to-day, the communes not only preferred arbitration to fighting but loyally obeyed the decision given in 1875 that a French payment of three heifers annually would be fair compensation for the Spanish pasturage consumed. Time passed; France and Spain became centralized monarchies and Great Powers met seldom at war, but the tribute continued to be paid even when Napoleon thought he had conquered Spain, and it was actually enshrined in international law in the Bayonne Treaty of 1856. By the opening years of this century, however, the village of Lannes—responsible for one heifer—had ceased to pasture its cattle over the border, and in 1914 refused to contribute its animal. The local authority, filled with proper respect for scraps of paper, fined the village the value of a heifer, which was purchased and sent with its companions to the Council of State, which regretfully decided that which diplomatic action could bring the village relief. So between France and Spain there arises the case of the three heifers, and if thirty years of Morocco have rendered their diplomats too weary to settle the matter themselves, fresh work for Geneva.

The New Photography.

Being photographed is no longer an uninteresting business (writes Mary Mortimer in the "Evening Standard"). The soulless individual with a waxed moustache whom one used to visit by appointment and whose invariable stipulation was that one should look pleasant—whether it was natural for one to do so or not—has given place now to the artist friend who finds photography a more lucrative profession than painting, and who has methods which are distinctly attractive. The artist friend invites one to lunch in order to discuss at length and with the utmost sympathy the background most suitable to one's "type," and expounds ideas about personality which are most gratifying to one's vanity. Those who are not strictly beautiful possess personality, he explains; and those not blessed with either beauty or personality probably have that elusive "cinema quality" which enables them to photograph well. He is a most human person, this modern photographer. He has no objection to his sitter taking up what she considers a characteristic pose no matter how fantastic it may be, and she may assume an expression of innocence,

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, photo, and alibi.)



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| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-To contract | 43-A small food-fish | 17-Preface. Around |
| 6-Vessel for burning incense | 46-Neither (abbr.) | 19-Oriental |
| 11-Combining form. Air | 48-Pronoun (abbr.) | 21-Fun-bearing animal |
| 12-Support of Arabia | 47-Feel concern for | 23-A metal |
| 13-A continent (abbr.) | 48-Day-book (abbr.) | 25-Grind together, as the teeth |
| 15-Displace | 50-Resound | 26-Grind together, as the teeth |
| 17-A Greek letter | 51-Small mountain (lake) | 27-Delet |
| 18-Three (Italian) | 52-Opposed to promote | 28-Private white vestment |
| 20-Glide over ice | 54-Diffuse | 32-Abashed |
| 21-Relative (abbr.) | | 33-Adjust to and |
| 22-Grassy meadows | VERTICAL | 34-Specimen |
| 24-Before | 1-To guide | 35-Apparitions |
| 25-A Christian festival | 2-Egyptian sun-god | 36-Mourned |
| 26-Sour | 3-A color | 37-Corrupted with money |
| 28-Half a score | 4-Raw material | 40-Combining form. Far |
| 31-Lasquer | 5-Laborer | 42-10 locate |
| 32-Horse | 6-Easy gallop | 44-Snare |
| 33-Consumes | 7-Margin | 47-God (Latin) |
| 35-Throw with violence | 8-Born | 48-Bin |
| 36-One of the oceans | 9-According to nature (Latin-abbr.) | 49-Afternoon (Latin-abbr.) |
| 41-Period of time | 10-Used abusive language | 50-Point of compass (abbr.) |
| 42-Girl's name | 14-Portion of any surface | 52-River in Switzerland |

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

sophistication, or irony, or even "register" a good-looking look without being warned—as the Victorian photographer would have warned her—that she is looking "unnatural." One of the most amusing photographs I have recently seen is of a "bright young person" whose type is distinctly "ethereal." The photographer has arranged that her disembodied, Eton cropped head is seen emerging from the leaves of a tree, and the result is quite fascinating. Another photograph recently shown me was of a young man who possesses a Roman profile—of which he is inordinately proud. His likeness appears in the photograph on an enormous Roman coin.

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.

SUMAC	RACES
ALPINE	AWHILE
ME	STARTLE
BEST	SET
WAT	WHAT
BE	BE
LC	AVE
REVEL	MEANDER
ERIE	SUED
STRANGE	STORM
ARE	DO
SE	CUE
LIDS	TAT
SKIT	NE
AV	PRIMATE
DECOYS	LEADER
TOTEM	CLAMED

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C.B.S. SPORTS.

RED HOUSE WINS WYLYE CUP.

NO INDIVIDUAL PRIZES.

Mrs. T. W. Southern (wife of the Colonial Secretary) presented the Wylye Inter-House Sports Cup to "Red House" on Saturday at the conclusion of the Central British School (Kowloon) annual meeting in King's Park.

Individual prizes were not given at this meeting, but the successful competitors earned the right to wear small silver pendants until the next meeting when they will have to be returned to the school authorities to be competed for again.

Of the 150 boy and girl students of the school, 120 took part in the meeting and were divided into two "houses," the idea being to discourage "pet hunting" on the part of the students and to instill into them the "team work" spirit. The methods of scoring for the Inter House Championship is three points for a win, two for second, and one for third place.

RESULTS.

High Jump (Boys, Senior)—1. S. MacNider; 2. J. Lyon; 3. D. Kelly. High Jump (Boys, Junior)—1. H. Brown; 2. M. Bach; 3. J. McCubbin.

Long Jump (Boys, Senior)—1. L. Marshall; 2. D. Kelly; 3. G. McClay. Long Jump (Boys, Junior)—1. J. McCubbin; 2. M. Bach; 3. J. McCubbin.

100 yards Championship (Boys, Senior)—1. L. Marshall; 2. W. Hirst; 3. A. Ursell. 100 yards Championship (Boys, Junior)—1. J. McCubbin; 2. H. Brown; 3. M. Bach.

100 yards Championship (Girls, Senior)—1. D. Hanblin; 2. M. George; 3. W. Reed. 100 yards Championship (Girls, Junior)—1. D. Bates; 2. M. Clarke; 3. P. Everett.

Throwing the Cricket Ball (Boys, Senior)—1. G. McClay; 2. J. Lyon; 3. S. MacNider. Throwing the Cricket Ball (Boys, Junior)—1. E. MacNider; 2. M. Bach; 3. A. Chester.

100 yards Handicap (Boys, Senior)—1. M. George; 2. D. Hanblin; 3. F. Wiltshire. 100 yards Handicap (Girls, Senior)—1. M. Clarke; 2. H. Reiton; 3. A. Gillingham.

220 yards Open Championship (Boys, Senior)—1. L. Marshall; 2. S. MacNider; 3. D. Kelly. 220 yards Open Championship (Boys, Junior)—1. J. McCubbin; 2. H. Brown; 3. A. McCubbin.

100 yards Skipping Championship (Girls, Senior)—1. M. George; 2. W. Reed; 3. M. Bryson. 100 yards Skipping Championship (Girls, Junior)—1. P. Everett; 2. D. Bates; 3. M. Clarke.

Sack Race (Boys, Senior)—1. E. Butler; 2. T. Ingram; 3. D. Marshall. Sack Race (Boys, Junior)—1. H. Brown; 2. J. Paterson; 3. A. Chester.

Sack Race (Girls, Senior)—1. D. Bates; 2. K. Chester; 3. A. Fowler. Sack Race (Girls, Junior)—1. N. Dockerty; 2. G. Reed; 3. M. Taylor.

440 yards Handicap (Boys, Senior)—1. S. MacNider; 2. E. Butler; 3. B. Fearon. 440 yards Handicap (Boys, Junior)—1. E. MacNider (the other competitors did not complete the course).

Three Legged Egg and Spoon Race (Girls, Senior)—1. M. George and K. Chester; 2. J. Black and W. Reed; 3. M. Bryson and D. Hanblin. Three Legged Egg and Spoon Race (Girls, Junior)—1. N. Dockerty and G. Reed; 2. M. Taylor and D. Bates; 3. I. Brown and H. Reiton.

One Mile Open (Boys)—1. S. MacNider; 2. G. Moss; 3. J. McCubbin. Skipping Championship—1. K. Glendinning; 2. M. Taylor; 3. D. Hanblin.

Obstacle Race (Boys, Senior)—1. G. McClay; 2. J. Smith; 3. T. Ingram. Obstacle Race (Boys, Junior)—1. H. Brown; 2. J. McCubbin; 3. J. Paterson.

Relay Race (Boys, Senior)—Won by Blue House. Team: G. McClay, G. Carr, D. Kelly and W. Hirst. Relay Race (Boys, Junior)—Won by Red House. Team: E. MacNider, H. Brown, J. McCubbin and M. Bach.

Tug War (Boys, Senior)—Won by Blue House (2 straight pulls). Team: E. Hayes, W. Hirst, G. Carr, G. McClay, G. Moss, D. Kelly and L. Easterbrook.

Tug War (Boys, Junior)—Won by Blue House (best 2 out of 3 pulls). Team: S. Fowler, J. Muirhead, G. Carr, A. McCubbin, A. Hargrave and E. Butler.

Tug War (Girls, Senior)—Won by Red House (2 straight pulls). Team: M. George, D. Hanblin, K. Chester, M. Bryson, P. Gillingham and J. Bryson.

JOCKEY CLUB.

It is advertised in this issue that draft programmes and entry forms for the second extra race meeting to be held on Saturday and Monday, April 16 and 18, may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables. Entries will close at 4 p.m. on Wednesday.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

ANNUAL SPORTS KEEN CONTESTS.

Ideal weather conditions graced the twelfth annual athletic sports on Saturday at Queen's College students.

Among the interested victors present were Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung and Mr. W. W. Hornell C.I.E., Vice-Chancellor of the Hong Kong University.

At the conclusion of the sports, Mr. A. R. Crook, Headmaster, called upon Lady Ho Tung to distribute the prizes. He thanked Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung for the interest they took in the School and thanked the many Old Boys for their presence and general support of the School throughout the year.

The Senior Champion of the School was Kung Ping-hoi, who obtained 14 points out of a possible 25 and the Junior Champion, Wong Tsang-wong, who obtained 18 out of a possible 25.

The Prize-Winners.

The full results were: Senior Long Jump: 1. Kung Ping-hoi; 2. Lau Kwok-tung; 3. Leung Moon-sang. Distance 15' 4". Junior Long Jump: 1. A. H. Ismail; 2. Wong Kam-pui; 3. R. M. Azim. Distance 14' 4 1/4".

Senior 100 yards: 1. Pang Oi-lam; 2. Kung Ping-hoi; 3. Leung Moon-sang. Time 11 secs. Junior 100 yards: 1. A. H. Ismail; 2. Wong Tsang-wong; 3. Ching Sui-nam. Time 12 2/5 secs.

Senior High Jump: 1. Hau Sun-chi; 2. U Chung-sik; 3. Pang Oi-lam. Height 4' 8 1/2". Junior High Jump: 1. Chan Kit-ting and Wong Tsang-wong (tie for first place); Wong Kam-pui and A. J. Hussain (tie for second place). Height 4' 4 1/4".

Senior 220 yards: 1. Leung Moon-sang; 2. Li Kai-ying; 3. Kung Ping-hoi. Time 25 4/5 secs. Junior 220 yards: 1. Wong Tsang-wong; 2. Wong Kam-pui; 3. A. H. Ismail. Time 30 4/5 secs.

Senior 120 yards hurdles: 1. Kung Ping-hoi; 2. Leung Moon-sang; 3. Pang Oi-lam. Time 19 4/5 secs. Junior 120 yards hurdles: 1.

Wong Tsang-wong; 2. A. J. Hussain; 3. A. H. Ismail. Time 20 2/5 secs.

Pick-a-Back Race: 1. Pang Yin-chai and Wu Yook-tun; 2. Sung Chi-ul and Lau Kwok-tung. Half Mile Handicap: 1. Wong Pun-lai; 2. Leung Shiu-ming; 3. Chiu Chung-po and Tak-lim (tie).

Three legged race: 1. Lau Kwok-tung and Sang Chi-yut; 2. M. R. Abbas and Wong Pun-lai; 3. Fung Kau-kwong and Chan Pui-kan. 100 yards-Class 8: 1. Chan Kai-hin; 2. Li Pook-yim; 3. Leung Wing-sik.

Sack Race: 1. E. Kitchell; 2. A. J. Hussain; 3. Chung Yuk-mui. One mile race: 1. K. Kow; 2. G. M. Butt; 3. Wong Kam-wa. Time 5:32 1/5.

Old boys' potato and spoon race: 1. M. Sabhan; 2. Cheung Wai-fung; 3. C. G. Anderson. Invitation relay race: 1. St. Joseph's College; 2. Wah Yan. Senior class team race: 1. KSC; 2. KSB.

Old boy's race: 1. M. Sabhan; 2. T. Hamet. Junior class team race: 1. Class 5a. Consolation race: 1. Tang Liu-fai; 2. M. Moosa; 3. Leung Kit-tung.

Junior invitation relay race: 1. Wanchai School; 2. St. Joseph's. Ladies' nomination: 1. Miss Wong and Chang Wai-fung; 2. Miss Ho and Mr. Lo Tung-fan.

Chinese masters' race: 1. W. F. Cheung; 2. Mr. Lai Cheuk-lap; 3. Mr. C. W. Chan.

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Shanghai	Indwishaften	5 p.m.
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Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5		
p.m.	President Pierce	6
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E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe		
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4th May. Registration 9.45 a.m.		
Letters 10.30 a.m.	Antenor.	5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Kotsu Maru	5 p.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S.		
America & Europe via Victoria		
B.C.—due Victoria B.C. 2nd May.		
Parcels 5 p.m. Letters 5.45 p.m.		
(7th) 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Achilles.	7
THURSDAY, APRIL		
Hohow & Haiphong	Tam	10 a.m.
Sandakan	Mausang	1.30 p.m.
Swatow	Chaksang	5 p.m.
FRIDAY, APRIL		
Manila	Teuer	12.30 p.m.
SATURDAY, APRIL		
Straits & Calcutta. Parcels Noon		
Letters 1 p.m.	Rumsang.	10
Manila	Empress of Russia	9 a.m.
MONDAY, APRIL		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,		
E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe		
via Marseilles—due Marseilles		
9th May. Registration 1.45 p.m.		
Letters 2.30 p.m.	Khyber.	12
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E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt &		
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seilles 13th May. Registration		
1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	General Metzinger.	

HEALING THE SICK.

FINE WORK OF L.M.S.
HOSPITALS.

TO-DAY'S MEETING.

The excellent work of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Societies (London Missionary Society) among all classes of the Chinese community (free attention and ward accommodation being given to all unable to pay fees) is already well-known in the Colony and schemes have been outlined which are contemplated for the extension of the work of the Hospitals.

This morning the year's work was reported on at the annual meeting of the General Committee of the Hospitals which was held at the Chamber of Commerce Board Room.

Superintendent's Report.

Dr. R. McLean Gibson presented his report as Superintendent. The report, in part, was as follows: The Netherlands Hospital in Bonham Road, which was built over thirty years ago, has become well known to the Chinese as a hospital for the treatment of women and children. A stage has now been reached in the development of the work when the building should be taken down and a larger and more modern building erected.

The number of beds available is not sufficient for the patients seeking admission, which is an evidence of the growth of confidence in the treatment received; in 1926, (the first year the hospital was set apart for women and children), there were 243 admissions and in 1925 the number had increased to 358. An important part of the work done in this hospital has been the training of Chinese nurses, who are now doing useful service in the Colony elsewhere. It would be disappointing, if the greatest opportunities now offered could not be taken advantage of because of the lack of a suitable building. The materials commonly used at the time when the hospital was built, were not well suited to withstand the climatic conditions and the inward of white ants, and the fabric of the building has deteriorated so that no attempt could be made to reconstruct the building.

Rebuilding Scheme.

The scheme proposed is to rebuild in two sections at a cost of about \$200,000. The sum required might be given by a few generous donors, whose gifts would be suitably acknowledged in the new building. In the past, when new buildings were needed, the residents of Hong Kong generously provided the means. It is the custom in many large cities for the rich to give large donations to provide hospitals for the poor and this custom might well be adopted in Hong Kong, which is greatly in need of well equipped hospitals.

A new Alice Memorial Hospital is being erected on a site adjacent to the Netherlands, generously granted by the London Missionary Society; the cost is being defrayed from the proceeds of the sale of the site in Hollywood Road, on which the original Alice Hospital was built. In structure and design the building will be a great improvement on the original Alice Hospital and it is hoped that friends of the late Sir Kai Hock-ai will assist in making the furnishing of the wards and equipment of the operation theatre worthy of the building.

The Hospital's Work.

There were 1,447 inpatients and 22,562 attendances at the outpatient departments; unfortunately many patients have neglected to come in the early stages of disease and consequently the work has been at times very heavy. Beriberi, malaria, influenza and bronchopneumonia were the most common medical diseases treated. When the restrictions against travelling to Hong Kong were removed surgical cases came from the Sun On and Tung Koon Districts, who had endured great suffering while waiting for an opportunity to travel. Many come from the New Territory, others from Little Hong Kong and Shaukiwan are brought by motor ambulance, and the discomfort of a tedious journey by chair or ricksha is avoided. The ambulances are provided by the Government, and have proved of great assistance in facilitating the conveyance of serious cases to hospital.

There is no hospital in Hong Kong suitable for the treatment of Tuberculosis and a sanatorium is urgently needed. A sanatorium would be a practical demonstration of the best methods of treating early cases, and would be the means of saving many lives. The importance of a sanatorium for the treatment of Tuberculosis has been emphasized by several cases in the Hospital Reports. In the hope that the Government will be moved to the work of providing a sanatorium.

SHAMEEN AVOIDED.

Canton Demonstration
Passes Off.

AUTHORITIES' PRECAUTIONS.

Strict orders by the Canton Government that yesterday's demonstration was on no account to pass Shameen and Shakes (which adjoins the French and British Concessions) were fully complied with by the processionists and the affair passed off without incident.

On Saturday, the Canton authorities issued an order that those taking part were to avoid the places named, so that there could be no possibility of misunderstanding. At the same time, further instructions were broadcast that under all circumstances, foreign lives and property must be protected.

One of the declared objects of the procession was to protest against the raid on the Blas Bay pirate villages. It is also understood that some of the sponsors carried banners regarding the Nanking affair but this lacks confirmation.

Curbing the Unions.

There is increasing evidence that General Li Chai-sun, who is commander-in-chief in Kwangtung province and Canton, and has now gone to Shanghai for a conference with General Chiang Kai-shek, has taken precautions to subdue the extremists. As far as can be seen, his policy is distinctly "moderate."

Further steps have been taken to curb the labour unions. Last week the rattan workers' guild was closed on grounds of alleged irregularity, the proscription being carried out by the gendarmes commanded by General Chiang Kai-shek's nominee.

BITTEN BY DOGS.

Three persons, all Chinese, were bitten by dogs during the week-end. They all received treatment at the hospital.

The first dog, a "chow," was caught in Bridges Street after having bitten a merchant of No. 27, Hollywood Road.

In the second instance a mongrel belonging to Mr. Lo Mui-shing of No. 11, Whitfield bit a woman. This dog was also captured.

Both these animals were taken to Kennedy Town for observation. The third case occurred on the Taipo Road when a coolie was attacked by a black "chow" and bitten in the leg. This dog was removed to the Mataukok Depot.

Passengers arrived in Hong Kong yesterday on the "Araura" included Captain and Mrs. H. E. Hillman from Sydney, Mr. B. F. Blakeney from Townsville, Mr. and Mrs. Dickinson from Sandakan, and Mr. A. Nemaze from Manila.

be taken up by those who are able to erect a building.

A comparative statement of income and expenditure in 1925 and 1926 shows an increase in the ordinary income of \$466 and a reduction in expenditure of \$4,087.

The Superintendent acknowledges with gratitude in his report donations from private individuals and institutions and the devotion of much time to the Hospital's affairs by members of the Executive and Building Committee.

Mrs. A. J. Fraser's death. The Matron's report, which was also presented at the meeting, refers to nursing in the Netherlands, Maternity and Ho. Miu Ling Hospitals and the training of probationers. The death of Mrs. A. J. Fraser had come as a great shock to them all and left a sense of deep personal loss. Mrs. Fraser had given valuable help as a voluntary nurse in Anatomy, Physiology and Midwifery. The nurse who had been in charge of the Ho. Miu Ling Hospital had been largely attended by them.

The Matron's report also referred to the interest taken in the Hospital by the staff and students of the Y. W. C. A. School. A comprehensive report was also presented by the members of the staff in the various departments and the work of the Hospital. The report was well received and the staff were congratulated for their work.

SEVEN YEARS' CASE.

CHINESE C.P.S. AGENT'S
COMMISSION.

COUNSEL'S ALLEGATIONS.

A protracted dispute which originated seven years ago was the subject of an action in the Supreme Court this morning.

It concerned the commission of a former Chinese passenger agent of the C.P.S., Leung Shiu-kong (now deceased) for passengers embarked on the s.s. "Monteagle" in November 1919.

It was stated that this commission (\$1,465.50) had been paid by the Canadian Pacific Steamships Ltd. to Lai Chee-ping, the successor to the deceased Chinese passenger agent, for payment to the widow.

The widow claims that she has not received the money and the action in Court this morning concerned this issue.

The Canadian Pacific Steamships had paid the money into Court, it was indicated, and it was for the other two parties to decide the issue between them. Lai Chee-ping was no longer in the employ of the C.P.S. Ltd.

When Lai Chee-ping's name was called this morning, he failed to respond.

Mr. H. S. Fitzroy appeared for Leung Chan-ah, the widow of Leung Shiu-kong, and indicated that Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, formerly acting for Lai Chee-ping, had no further instructions.

Peremptory Order Necessary. His Lordship indicated that a further adjournment would be necessary owing to the Ordinance providing, in a case of this kind, that it was necessary for a peremptory order first to be made.

Mr. Fitzroy, whilst agreeing that such was the proper procedure, asked that all costs, not only of that action but of all preceding ones in these protracted negotiations should be borne by Lai Chee-ping. It was very hard on this widow to be put to all this expense and not to have had her money during these seven years.

Counsel made serious allegations against Lai Chee-ping concerning the alleged forgery of the widow's name to several documents and endorsements on cheques.

His Lordship indicated that he could only make costs of the day in favour of the widow. It was almost inevitable that all costs would be eventually in her favour, but that was as far as he could go that morning.

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